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McEwen Dining Hall cited for health violations

Cleared after reinspection yesterday

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In a surprise inspection by the Oneida County Health Department last week, McEwen Dining was declared unsatisfactory because of two violations in the New York State sanitary code.

These included unsafe storage of potentially hazardous food and the lack of proper plumbing equipment. Food used in the deli was discovered kept above the maximum allowable storage temperature of 45 degrees Fahrenheit and a sink was found lacking an attachment that prevents potentially contaminated water from flowing back into the faucet and into water lines.

On reinspection yesterday, the dining hall was cleared of all violations and declared satisfactory.

Joe Cappa, General Manager for Bon Appetit, Hamilton's food service provider, explained that the violations were not caused by improper practices, but by record keeping errors and mistakes by the inspectors.

The temperature for potentially hazardous food should be recorded every 15 to 30 minutes at the dining halls, and should kept below 45 degrees. Although state law mandates that food must be kept below this temperature, food may be stored above 45 degrees for up to two hours.

Food may be kept out for up to two hours, provided records are kept. On the day of the inspection, Cappa said, the records noting the time the food had been put out in the deli were not kept. He said that the food had not been out over two hours. As for the lack of record keeping, "That was our fault," said Cappa.

The second violation, he said, was attributable to an oversight by the health inspector. The sink did in fact have the required part on it, but the inspector failed to recognize it,

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PHOTO BY KATE VAIL '96

Area youngsters dressed as ghosts, ghouls, and goblins spooked the Hamilton campus Tuesday evening as they took part in College's seventh annual Trust Treat program. The event, held in memory of Eric Trust '92, takes place every Halloween.

Rhodes dissects capitalism

BY JOE NOVEMBER '97
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Dr. Sidney Rhodes, a noted African-American scholar and orator spoke to an intimate crowd in the Chapel for almost two hours on Wednesday evening. His lecture entitled "Freedom and Destruction" focused on the balance of power that has developed within America and was sponsored by a wide variety of groups, most notably the Black and Latino Student Union (BLSU.)

Rhodes, who is a powerful speaker, both intellectually and physically, began his talk by defining power. "Power is important...people want power...the higher you go in your search for power, the more you have to do to get it...power is money." For Rhodes, Wall Street is an example of Americans' hunger for power since he sees people who play the stock market as investing in their own power. The last part of Rhodes' definition of power is that those who do manage to get power, even a little bit of it, want to keep their power.

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Koestner speaks of rape experience and responsibility in Monday evening lecture

BY DEIRDRE FOLEY '99
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Her speech was soft spoken and her jokes deceiving. Yet underneath what appeared to be a very fragile frame was in fact a person of great strength with an important message. Her message involved three life skills: communication, responsibility, and respect.

However, Katie Koestner, who spoke in the Hamilton Chapel on Monday, night did not learn those skills in the classroom of her former alma mater, the College of William and Mary. Rather, she learned them at the hands of her rapist, "Peter," one night in 1990.

Peter was also a student at the College of William and Mary. In fact, he and Katie were unofficially dating. After a dinner date on their third Saturday in college, Katie invited Peter up to her room. Katie planned to remain a virgin until after marriage and she had no intention of having sex with Peter. But Peter felt that "God will forgive us for just one time." However, Katie says that she did not agree and that she became more alarmed as he proceeded to rip off her dress.

Katie remembers that after some arguing, Peter stopped. He then decided, however, that he would not go back to his room, but instead stay at Katie's for the night. Around 5 a.m. Peter, in apologizing for his earlier behavior claimed "I don't know what got into me, I promise it will never happen again." Minutes

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Restoration of depleted College loan funds not expected for 2 to 3 years

BY GABRIEL MEYER '96
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Four College loan funds which have run dry in recent months continue to cause concern among administrators and students.

According to College Controller William Kemp, it will take two to three years to rebuild the funds. The funds were used primarily for aid to international students who do not have access to the government loan programs many American students rely upon. Two of the four depleted College loan funds were used exclusively for international student aid.

The aid shortfall may force a small number of students to leave Hamilton. Those dependent upon aid from the funds had received up to $2000 per semester. Under the College's current accounts-receivable policy, students with an outstanding balance of more than $3,000 are not permitted to register for classes.

The $3000 outstanding balance limit is expected to fall in the near future toward an ultimate goal of zero.

For this year, students who relied upon the now-depleted loan funds, and began the semester with no outstanding balances have no need to worry. But, as the the debt limit falls, things will change.

"We're trying to tighten up and make sure we're fiscally responsible," said Vice President of Administration and Finance Dan O'Leary. "At most colleges, you don't walk through the door unless you have a zero balance."

During the last two academic years before the funds were exhausted, he said, the funds paid out between $250,000 and $300,000 annually while being repaid at a rate of only $120,000 to $150,000.

Much of the explanation for the wide differential lies with the high default rate, which approached 30 percent on loans made to international students. While outstanding loans can usually be collected from students residing in the U.S. using legal channels, the College has little recourse but to send letters to the debtor's last known address when an international student owes money.

"There's not a collection agency that's going to track a student [abroad] down for eight or ten thousand dollars," said Kemp.

"We must rely upon the integrity of the current international students to provide for the students who will follow them," said Director of College Communications Mike

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Rhodes speaks out on politics, urges students to keep open minds

Conservatives closing the door, he says

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One scenario to which Rhodes applied his definition of power is the situation at colleges like Hamilton. "Hamilton College is a system...a business...this school cannot become accredited without money." Rhodes argued that the school needs students' money to survive and society entices people into going to school so that they can get more power. The trick to surviving at places like Hamilton, according to Rhodes, is to play by the rules and not threaten the balance of "the system."

Rhodes soon moved on to a bigger issues such as the role of power in American history and how that same power still survives today in the form of the Republicans' "Contract With America." Rhodes emphasized that the ability to gain money and thus power by exploiting other people shaped the bulk of American history. One instance he focused on was the ascension of the College's founder, Alexander Hamilton, a West Indian of mixed blood. "He [Alexander Hamilton] was greatly responsible for the creation of the U.S. Constitution...partly responsible for the 'three-fifths compromise'... Hamilton was not out there for the poor, he closed the door to get money." In Rhodes' eyes, Hamilton set up a foundation for America's economy that was geared around keeping those with money in power and giving them even more power in the meantime. He went on to say that all of America's elite had to do to stay in power was to suppress the masses the same way one conditions a circus elephant to stay in place by tying its leg to a post when the elephant is very young.

"Today, the Republican Party knows the spirit of Hamilton, the spirit of money; they are catering to money," claimed Rhodes in the beginning of his interpretation of today's political atmosphere.

Rhodes then began to describe why "these groups of conservatives are closing the door." Rhodes feels that essentially the Republicans represent those with monetary power and since exploitation was the way many of those got monetary power, the G.O.P. will attempt to maintain the level of exploitation and therefore the status quo.

"The premise of the 'Contract With America' is to balance the nation's budget...so the Republicans decided, 'let's cut back on government.'" The cutbacks Rhodes refered to are those which involve slashing social welfare programs. Rhodes argued that despite the fact that more whites are dependent on welfare than blacks, the Republicans are still cutting welfare just to give the appearance of suppressing minorities. The reason for this, according to Rhodes, is that the Republicans want to give their biggest supporters, the "American elite," the feeling that their interests are being protected.

The pervading message throughout Rhodes' lecture was not about politics, history, or race; it was about opening the mind. In light of this, Rhodes concluded his lecture by saying, "This ain't no speech, I'm creating a new dimension, I'm creating the ability within you to question."

The lecture was only one of this week's events sponsored by the Black and Latino Student Union (BLSU) in honor of Black Solidarity Day. This Friday at 7:30 there will be "A Celebration of different forms of Black Expression" at Café Opus. On Saturday, November 4th at 5:00 p.m. there will be a discussion entitled "The Ongoing Struggle for Equality: Race and the Implications of Race on Individuals" in the Red Pit. BLSU also invites the entire school to party in ELS at 10:00 Saturday evening.

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U.S. Energy Department official to speak on environmental legacy of nuclear weapons programs

James D. Werner will deliver a lecture entitled "Fifty Years after the Manhattan Project: The Environmental Legacy of Nuclear Weapons," on Monday, November 6, at 8 p.m. in the Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. Werner is an environmental engineer and the Director of Strategic Planning and Analysis for Environmental Management for the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington, D.C. His office oversees the cleanup of nuclear weapon production sites across the country. His lecture is sponsored by College 120 and is free and open to the public.

28-year-old marketing executive, author, and entrepreneur to discuss finding career success

Bradley G. Richardson, a 28-year-old marketing executive, author, and entrepreneur will speak in the Chapel, Monday, November 6, at 7:30 p.m. He will discuss career strategies for today's college graduates. Richardson graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a B.A. in Communication. He worked in high-tech industries, consulting with clients including Pepsi, Major League Baseball, and television networks before starting his own company last year.

Sixth grade girls explore science at Hamilton

The women science professors and students of Hamilton College will be hosting a weekend of science exploration on campus Friday and Saturday, Nov. 3-4. Local sixth grade girls will be attended the program, which includes workshops, demonstrations and presentations by women scientists. The Girls and Women in Science conference brings sixth grade girls, along with their parents and teachers, to the Hamilton College campus to encourage their interest in math and science and to help them see that there is a place for women, and for themselves in these fields.

Panel discusses U.S.-China relations

Need for engagement and containment addressed

By Aleksandr Voninski '97
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Following on the heels of the visit two weeks ago to Hamilton by Joseph Nye, Assistant Secretary of Defense for East Asian Affairs, the Levitt Public Affairs Center presented a panel discussion entitled, 'U.S. Policy toward China: Containment or Engagement?' on Thursday evening.

The panel discussion, held in the Chapel and moderated by Professor Vincent Auger of the Government Department, featured four Sinologists and experts on International Relations. The panel was comprised of Orville Schell, Columbia University; Richard Suttmeier, University of Oregon; Richard Haass, Council on Foreign Relations; and Cheng Li, Hamilton College.

During the forum, each panelist discussed his views on China's economy, society, government and military. As China is seen as the future economic and military power of Asia in the 21st century, the United States has a keen interest in China's rapid economic and social development. China, with the largest population in the world and an expanding military force possessing nuclear capabilities, is seen as a potential threat by military experts in the West and in Asia.

China's stance and relentless propaganda towards the return of Hong Kong and Macau, opposition of an independent Taiwan and the disputes over the Spratley Islands, are seen as evidence that the People's

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Putting the "R" back in representation

By John J. Manning, III '99
NEWS STAFF WRITER

If you've noticed that the Student Assembly has been more vocal and public this year, you are not alone. This is because Student Assembly President Andrew Edelson '97 has been very busy not only directing Student Assembly policy, but the Student Assembly itself.

"When I was first elected, Student Assembly was an introverted organization and was not excited about making change. The only people who were represented in the assembly were just those who went to the meetings," said Edelson.

"We have been very busy with the implementation of some changes to make Student Assembly not only more efficient, but more open and responsive as well. But this time, the change will be permanent. We are putting the 'r' back in representation," he continued.

At the beginning of his term, Edelson began promoting a four-stage plan in order to revitalize Student Assembly and its public image. The first step was simple: to make the Recording Secretary's position a separate post with more responsibilities.

"The Recording Secretary used to be a elected representative. That meant that not only was one person elected to serve a post, but was in charge of taking minutes. This was a tremendous responsibility."

"Now," Edelson continued, "we have the new redefined Secretary post. The Secretary will no longer record just the minutes, but what specifically happened, who said what, and what the vote was. The Secretary is the most important part of the entire program."

The second stage was to give the Student Assembly a permanent face and and stop the constant "transition process." Edelson said, "The Student Assembly should not be in con-

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Rapes often unreported by victims

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later, despite Katie saying "no" more than a dozen times, Peter raped her.

On Monday Katie recalled finally telling one of her male residential advisors about what had happened. He, in turn, brought her to the campus health center. There, Katie recalled with some degree of irony, a nurse gave her two sleeping pills and said everything would be okay once she got some sleep.

On Tuesday, Katie went to see the Dean of Residential Life. His advice was, "You could possibly ruin another person's life so go home and think about it first." Katie decided to pursue it and the Dean of Residential Life found Peter guilty of sexual assault, because at the time the college did not have a policy on rape. Peter's punishment was that he would not be allowed in her dorm again. The school's sentencing was the extent of his punishment because the

Koestner as pictured on the cover of *Time* in 1991.

District Attorney did not accept her case due to a lack of evidence. However, a year later Peter was expelled from the College of William and Mary because he assaulted another one of his girlfriends.

In the fall of 1990, Katie Koestner's life was changed forever. But what happened to her happens all across the country. In fact, one in every four women and one in every eight men will be assaulted during their lifetime. Over the past year and a half, Katie Koestner has met over two thousand men and women who have been raped. Unfortunately, over 75 percent of all rape victims do not report it to the authorities and 50 percent of all victims do not report the crime to anyone. According to the most recent annual crime statistics for Hamilton, there were no rapes reported for the year 1994-1995. Rape does not appear to be a problem at Hamilton, but as Katie Koestner learned the hard way, appearances can be deceiving.

CLARIFICATION: *The Spectator* would like to clarify a headline printed in last week's edition regarding Katie Koestner's lecture. The headline included the words "alleged date rape victim," as information available at press time was insufficient for *The Spectator* to state that Koestner was raped. During her Hamilton visit however, Koestner stated that she was in fact raped.

News from other Ivory Towers

--compiled by Joe November '97

Colby to address recent upsurge in alcohol poisoning

A recent increase in alcohol-related visits to the school's Health Center and the local Emergency Room has brought alcohol to the forefront of Colby's concerns about residential and campus life. So far this year, there have been 20 alcohol-related overnight stays at Colby's Health Center and five Colby students have been sent to a local hospital because of alcohol poisoning. According to one Colby source, students who have been sent to the Emergency Room this year have had blood alcohol contents ranging from .26 to .32 percent (12 to 20 drinks.) Hard alcohol has been blamed for 90 percent of Colby's alcohol-poisoning cases this year. A Colby EMT noted, "...it's mostly first-years, they're bingeing on hard liquor, and their blood alcohol levels are really high. They are really in bad shape." In response to the increase in alcohol poisonings, Colby's Alcohol in the Campus Environment committee (ACE) will focus on educating the student body about the effects of alcohol. ACE is composed of 10 Trustees, four students, four faculty members, and four administrators. It will spend the year studying attitudes on campus as well as looking at how other colleges similar to Colby have dealt with the question of alcohol. The commission will then report its findings and make a policy recommendation in the spring.

The Colby Echo

Pro-Affirmative Action hunger strikers arrested in California

Five students who have been on a hunger strike for 14 days at University of California Irvine were arrested Sunday for failing to follow a police order to leave the campus. The striking students and two other UC Irvine students not on a hunger strike were booked for the misdemeanor offense at noon and taken to the Orange County Jail, according to UC Irvine spokesperson Sandra Ortiz. The students began their fast two weeks ago to protest the University of California Board of Regents' decision to discontinue affirmative action programs. The strike was met with silence from the board members who voted for the proposal in July, according to UC Irvine student Alicia Basurto, a hunger strike supporter. While the strikers passed a medical exam conducted at the prison Sunday afternoon, Basurto said one student is beginning to experience kidney failure and another is having similar problems. A rally to support the hunger strike was held that night.

The Daily Californian

Textbook thief caught at Williams College

Anyone who takes classes knows that college textbooks are expensive, but at least these books can be resold to the school at the end of the semester. With this knowledge in mind, Andrew Smith, a thirty-one year old man from Philadelphia decided that he could make a great deal of money by stealing textbooks from colleges across the Northeast and reselling them to a bookstore. Apparently, Smith spent five to six days a week roaming college campuses and stealing as many books he could carry. "The high degree of trust and sense of security that exists on campus generally makes them an easy target," states *The Williams Record*. Smith's scheme had been working for quite some time when he made a critical error; he attempted to steal books from the Williams College faculty club and was apprehended by a Williams Security Officer. When police conducted a search of Smith's car, they found several hundred books from Williams College, Smith College, Amherst College, and several other schools. Smith is currently pleading not guilty on the charge of larceny.

The Williams Record

Weekend Weather

Saturday: Turning cold with possible lake effect snow showers. High near 40. Lows in the 30s.

Sunday: Continued cold with more possible snow. High in the 30s with lows in the 20s.

News Briefs from around the World

--compiled by Matt Nolan '98

Secessionist Movement in Quebec fails, but not by much

Quebec, for the second time in fifteen years, was unable to secede from the rest of Canada. Monday's referendum failed by just over 50,000 votes, a ratio of 50.6 percent against and 49.4 percent voting to secede, overcoming a very strong movement of secessionists within the province. French-Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chrétien has taken much criticism for his role in the event. In defeat the separatist leader Lucien Bouchard resigned his position, but he drew much criticism for his concession speech. In the speech he blamed minorities in the province and specifically Montréal. His speech created a strong backlash within the movement.

First Post-Apartheid local elections take place in South Africa

The first local level elections in South Africa since the end of Apartheid took place Wednesday, although results are not expected to be revealed for many more days. South Africans were more aware of the local campaigns this year than last year's provincial and national elections. In one particular race a maid in a household was challenging her employer, a real estate agent, for a seat on the town council. After being drafted at a local meeting of the African National Congress, the maid at first didn't inform her employer her candidacy, but now much of the country became aware of that race.

Bosnian Peace summit opens at Ohio military base

The presidents of three warring Balkan countries convened at U.S.- lead peace talks at an American military base outside of Dayton, Ohio this week. Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, Alija Isetbegovic, and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia met for the first time since a series of unsuccessful meetings in Yugoslavia back in 1991. Lead by Secretary of State Warren Christopher, the meetings will include representatives from France, Britain, Russia, Germany, and the European Union. Location was key to the event, attempting to keep it from becoming a media circus. The Ohio location was also chosen because of its relative proximity to Washington, D.C. The meetings have been met with protests in which demonstrators carrying signs calling Milosevic a murderer and war criminal, have picketed the entrances to the military base.

New student assembly a product of information and student initiative

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stant reform whenever new people are elected. In the past, it seemed like it took half the year to just get adjusted."

In response, Edelson and Recording Secretary Jennifer Hannon '96, issued a Central Council Manual. In it, Assembly members are told who to call and what to do once problems arise, given a quick overview of Robert's Rules of Order, and are told what their specific jobs are for the year.

Most importantly, all meetings are pre-scheduled and therefore publicized more than in the past. "A basic understanding is stressed, and the expectations of a representative is made very clear," Edelson said.

The third stage is the brand new Task Force. "I formed the Task Force to deal with immediate problems and emergencies. The Task Force solves things today and does not wait for tomorrow.

"Half of the members to the Task Force are appointed by me and not elected. The key is to have people who want to be involved and excited about getting things done. This ensures that it will be and stay a responsive team."

Constitutional change is the final step in Edelson's reform package "Earlier this year, an amendment was passed to make it easier to change the Constitution of the Student Body. Instead of holding ballots for every change, the questions will only be voted upon when there is someone dissenting," Edelson continued.

Of the reform package, Hannon said that "Now Student Government has a better concept of how to serve its constituents, the students at Hamilton. It is not only more open to new ideas, but is enthusiastic about implementing them."

National News Briefs

--compiled by Matt Nolan '98

U.S. paratroopers come under fire on their own base

As they prepared for a four mile run last Friday morning, members of the Army's 82nd Airborne Division came under sniper fire at their base in Fort Bragg, N.C.. The attack killed one soldier and wounded 18 others and was allegedly perpetrated by a member of the battalion - Sgt. William J. Kreutzer. The attack, which sent soldiers running in every direction across the open field ended when four members of a special forces unit, approached and disarmed the gunman. Found at the scene were three weapons, a Glock 9mm pistol, a .22 caliber rifle, and an AR-16, the civilian version of the military's M-16 rifle.

High School seniors severely lacking in History knowledge

According to the recent results of the National Assessment of Education Progress in American history, more than half of the nations seniors lack a basic knowledge of United States history. Education Secretary Richard Riley stated that "our kids don't know enough—and that's probably right." The ongoing debate about the role and efficiency of the nations public schools is expected to intensify as a result of the release of the scores. The test also delineated sharp differences in exam score by race, with about half of white and asian students at or above the basic level, but only 20 percent of black and hispanic students reaching the same level.

Senator Dole's wife to leave Red Cross post during '96 campaign

In a move that allowed her to devote more of time to the campaign and free the Red Cross from any touch of political impropriety, Elizabeth Dole, wife of Senator and presidential candidate Bob Dole, took a leave of absence from her post as president of the American Red Cross. Dole stated that she intends to return to the post after the campaign ends, even if she has the responsibilities of being the first lady to contend with. If she were to do so she would become the first First Lady to maintain a full time job while her husband was in office. Maintaining the political neutrality of the Red Cross, in addition to the time needed for the campaign were some of the reasons cited by the Chairman of the Red Cross Norman Augustine.

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Financial aid continues to grow as a percentage of Hamilton's budget

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Some students have questioned why the depleted loan funds were not restored following record fundraising activities in the fiscal year which ended on June 30.

O'Leary noted that financial aid has continued to grow as a proportion of Hamilton's operating budget in recent years. This year, it constitutes 22 percent of the College's educational and general budget of which an additional $1.1 million more than originally allocated has gone toward financial aid. Despite this windfall, the resources needed to restore the depleted funds are not available.

"We believe the money being contributed from gifts and grants toward financial aid is a prudent amount," said O'Leary. "We're trying to make people feel fiscally responsible. We do have a responsibility to parents and students. . . to manage their resources wisely."

Students are planning meetings with President Eugene Tobin and other College administrators to discuss the issue.

Dining halls held to high standards says food service manager following violations

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and cited the dining hall. "He came back the next day and recognized that we did in fact have the part," said Cappa.

Commons Dining Hall was also inspected, and was cited with one violation last week. It did not, however, fail inspection. The violation in Commons was a container of salad dressing stored in an environment warmer than 45 degrees. Cappa explained that the container had not been refrigerated because it had just been opened. Both dining halls now refrigerate unopened salad dressing and mayonnaise.

PHOTO BY ERIN MITCHELL '96

Students eat breakfast in McEwen Dining Hall, which was cited for health code violations in an inspection by the Oneida County Health Department last week. The violations have since been corrected.

Because the dining halls serve a high volume of people, there is the possibility of getting a large number of people sick if there are unsafe practices. Cappa agrees that the strict health codes are a necessary precaution.

Underscoring the risks of common eating facilities was the recent outbreak of sickness at Mohawk Valley Community College. Although the dining hall there had not been cited for any health code violations, about 30 students became violently ill after being served dinner from the same pan in the dining hall. Officials from the Health Department concluded that a sick student either coughed on or handled the utensils from the pan and contaminated it. The 30 students who got sick from the contaminated pan experienced stomach pains, cramps, vomiting, nausea, and dehydration.

At Hamilton, the kitchens in both dining halls are held to extremely high standards of cleanliness and safety by the State of New York, and as Cappa said, rightfully so. The higher volume of people a kitchen serves, the higher the standards enforced by the state inspections.

"The inspectors themselves are very helpful," said Cappa, "They give us suggestions as to how to improve rather than looking to penalize you for your mistakes."

Separately, the China Sea restaurant in Clinton was cited by the Oneida County Health Department last week for numerous violations including unprotected food and living quarters not completely removed from food storage. The restaurant is frequented by many Hamilton students.

U.C. and Hamilton join in search for diversity

Attendees express positive responses

By Jacob Stetser '98
NEWS EDITOR

A determined band of Hamilton community members convened outside of McEwen dining hall early last Friday and Saturday mornings, ready to brave the cold and the first of two diversity workshops sponsored by the Community Relations Committee. The workshop, "Cultural Diversity: the Challenge and the Gift," included representatives from both Utica College of Syracuse University and Hamilton College was facilitated by Joan Olssen of *Cultural Bridges,* an organization that works to build cultural diversity.

The workshop focused mainly on the issues of sexism and racism as intrinsic elements of society; however, it also touched upon homophobia, classism, and ableism. It organized society into privileged and target groups.

Early on, Joan Olssen, a facilitator from *Cultural Bridges*, arranged the group into a circle and asked members of certain target, or oppressed groups, to step in. At first keeping her distance from the most rampant and ingrained of 'isms,' she called in those who had experienced classism, whose families suffered on account of being of lower socio-economic brackets.

Shortly thereafter, she asked women to enter the circle and listed a litany of sobering and enlightening facts: one-half of all women suffer physical abuse at some point in their lives. In fact, one out of every three women are likely to be sexually attacked. But Joan Olssen didn't stop there. She expressed the uncertainty women must feel when approached by a man, the fear of being alone in a house at night, the constant terror of knowing one's chance of becoming a victim.

She then invited men and women of color to form a circle. They too were oppressed by the unending need to mistrust their neighbors, their employers and employees, as well as strangers, both of color and white. They lived with the disquieting notion that members of their own race were more likely to kill them than members of another race. Women and men of color, she said, labored to succeed within a society designed to keep them underfoot.

The circle and a subsequent session during which attendees related personal experiences of their privilege or their oppression increased awareness of privileges some groups unknowingly enjoy at the expense of others. "It made people much more aware of the privileges they have forgotten," said Mary Parzych '98. One of the central tenets of the workshop was often repeated, "If you are not actively working against prejudice, you are a supporter of it."

Later, when *Cultural Bridges* separated the target and privileged groups, along the lines of racial oppression, into different rooms, many were uncomfortable because of the intentional segregation. The purpose of caucusing, according to Olssen, was to allow the privileged to regroup, express feelings in a secure environment, and gather a unity which most dominant cultures do not have, and to allow the oppressed

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Residential Life Office sends out warning letters to Dunham residents

Cites numerous false fire alarms, vandalism

By Gabriel Meyer '96
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Continuing behavioral and safety problems in Dunham Residence Hall have prompted the Office of Residential Life to send warning letters this week to the dormitory's more than 200 residents.

The letter notes that through October 27, Dunham has been the site of 19 false fire alarms, 41 falsely activated smoke detectors, and two intentionally set fires. In the most recent fire, a student set a trash can ablaze in a hallway, turned out the lights, and left. A fire alarm sounded, but many residents, thinking it was another false alarm did not evacuate. Not until some students realized there was a fire and spread the word, did all the residents evacuate.

FILE PHOTO
Dunham Residence Hall

The letter from the Office of Residential Life further notes that various objects including beer bottles and even a stereo system have been thrown out of Dunham's windows. The residence hall, the letter says, is regularly left in a "disgusting" condition after many weekends. Vomit and urine sometimes cover its floors.

As a result of these problems, an extra security patrol will be assigned to monitor Dunham on weekends and a $50 fine will be levied against residents of the floor where a false fire alarm is pulled. Resident Advisors may enter rooms using master keys each time a fire alarm is sounded to ensure that all residents have evacuated.

"We've been very seriously concerned about the number of fire alarms that have gone off," said Director of Residential Life Rebecca Reed Kantrowitz, noting the potential for serious injury in the event of a fire if students ignore alarms.

Though 20 damage charges have been levied against Dunham residents so far this year for incidents ranging from broken smoke detectors and windows to kicked-in doors and discharged fire extinguishers, Reed noted that the dorm has long been a trouble spot.

"Certainly we've our share of problems with Dunham in the past," she said.

Panelists impressed by China's economic growth

Call for more exchange programs

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Republic of China is becoming an increasingly vocal and domineering force in East Asia. Where, then, does the United States fit in to this equation and how best should it handle its diplomatic efforts with China and neighboring countries?

All of the panelists talked of China's amazing economic reform process that has blossomed since Deng Xiaoping first took the initiative in the late 1970's. Many Chinese people, who only ten years ago were in poverty and without many of the basic necessities that Westerners take for granted, now own large homes, eat at five star restaurants and drive BMW's. This change, according to Professor Li, has been one of the greatest and fastest social changes ever to take place in human history. The kind of country with this type of force and power, cannot be contained.

Trade disputes and human rights continue to be the biggest stumbling blocks towards a successful and fruitful relationship between the U.S. and China. Large American companies such as Boeing and Microsoft, however, have for the most part looked away from the problems between the United States and China, and have still been able to flourish in the robust Chinese economy. Dr. Suttmeier wondered if Microsoft and other companies have a foreign policy when he stated, "Bill Gates has met with Chinese President Jiang Zemin twice, and that's more than Bill Clinton has...it seems the Chinese want more of Bill G. than they do of Bill C."

In the end, a general conclusion was reached that a mixture of both containment and engagement is needed. More dialogue and academic exchanges should take place to foster friendlier and more substantial ties with the People's Republic of China. If the United States follows a policy of containment and fails to pursue economic ties with China, Japan and European nations will be more than glad to move in and take our share of the enormous economic potential of China.

The mood was summed up when Professor Li said, "Containment will not help China. It would only help the hardliners...yet the U.S. should still continue to express its liberal, democratic values through dialogue and persuasion."

LEXIS-NEXIS now available in Burke Library

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Workshop initiates open dialogue

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group to work at healing its wounds in a supportive environment.

Some, faced for the first time with the knowledge of their internalized prejudice, were very uncomfortable with the process, but many felt that the process showed triump and hope in the face of oppression, and defined a solidarity of the oppressed.

Throughout the two days, communication and support were stressed. Many in the group believe that recognizing one's prejudice and working against it, as well as being a vigilant defender of the oppressed, requires support from one's peers. Those who felt the need for change drew courage from the knowledge that others in the community wanted the same.

"It made me excited to see that people care and now I really believe we can make a difference," said Adrienne Dicembri, a junior and R.A. at Utica College of Syracuse University. Those who previously believed little or no change was necessary found themselves questioning much of their paradigm for dealing with diversity.

"I went to the workshop because I'm on a committee in the Student Assembly looking into diversity on campus. It really helped me understand why other groups might be hesitant to attend here," noted Parzych. "But I liked seeing that there are other people and resources on campus" with the same goals of improving the diversity of the campus.

During the last hours of the workshop, the representatives of the two schools separated to plan Hamilton-specific and Utica College-specific projects to combat prejudice and increase diversity on campus. Hamilton representatives discussed coalition building, a student-watch program to combat vandalism, and a serious look at Goals 3 and 4 of the curriculum requirements.

Mary Parzych hopes that Utica College and Hamilton College maintain an environment of cooperation. "Improving ties with U.C. will help diversify our campus because they're more diverse."

Bob Kazin, Director of Counseling Services, echoed the remarks of many of the workshop attendees. "For me personally, it was a very valuable experience." Even those skeptical at the beginning of the workshop were buoyed by the progression of the workshop's atmosphere to cooperation and communication.

The Community Relations Committee at Hamilton had set goals for the number of Maintenance and Operations staff, support staff, administration, faculty and students whom they wanted to attend. Attendance from all of these groups except for faculty and students met or exceeded the goals. Several at the workshop expressed disappointment that only a handful of students went, and only one faculty member attended.

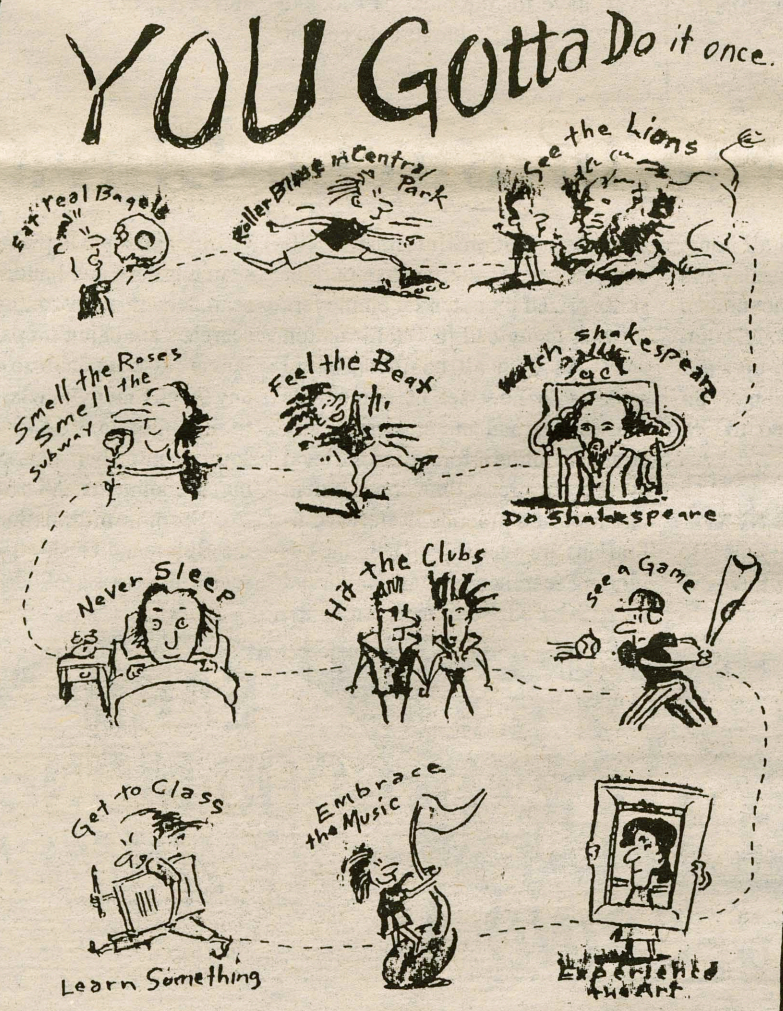
One student supported the effort, noting that past attempts were often misguided. "I think we need to address the issues, but we haven't been defined," said Kate Vail '96.

Another student identified one of the campus' problems. Erin Mitchell '96 said, "I think things are silenced. I think things are covered because we don't have enough voice."

Many of those who attended this workshop will attend another workshop in January, run by the National Coalition Building Institute. Afterward, the attendees of both workshops will decide which group to bring to campus for larger-scale diversification programs.

Need we say more? PHOTO BY KATE VAIL '96

In light of recent events on campus involving extensive damage to College property, we would like to propose the creation of a new Community Watch. With sufficient support from the student body, the Community Watch would serve as a means for ensuring security on campus on weekends and discouraging vandalism. Students could participate by encouraging witnesses of vandalism to come forth to security and by patrolling the campus for several hours each weekend. If interested in such an organization, please contact Scott Kocher or Jacob Stetser via campus mail, or sign up in the mail center by the stamp window. Just think: Every single student on campus could have bought a round-trip train ticket to New York City with the money spent last year on damage repair costs.



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A drink is defined as a 12-ounce can or bottle of beer, a four-ounce glass of wine, a 12-ounce bottle or can of wine cooler, or a shot of liquor taken straight or in a mixed drink. Some may say, "Four or five drinks? That's not much." What this study demonstrates is that, in many students, this benchmark is indicative of a heavy drinking lifestyle. In reality, many students in this study report drinking far more than this, often with the specific intention of getting drunk.

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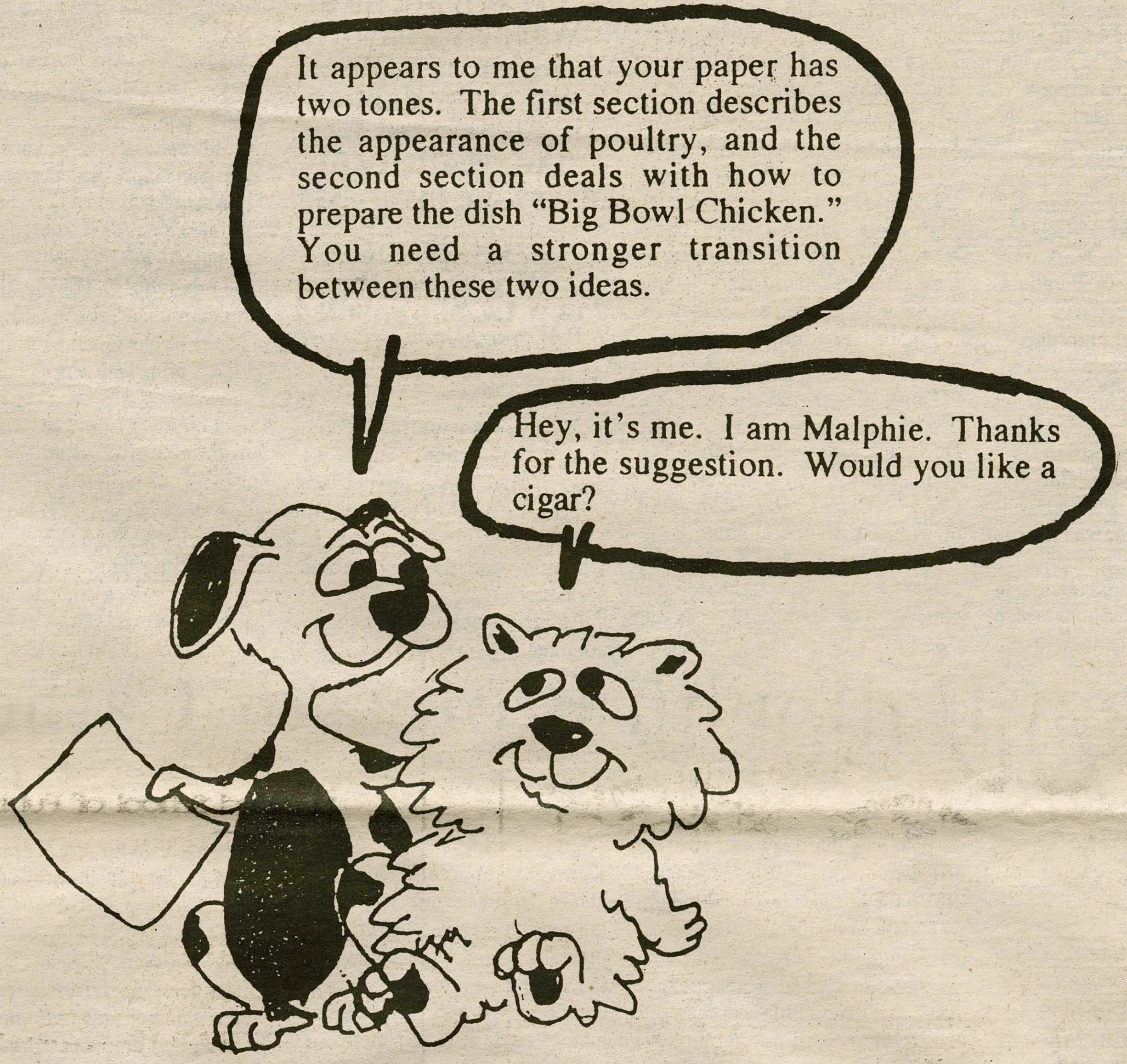

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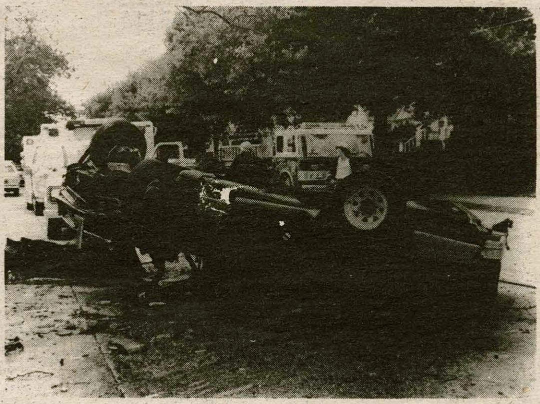

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Watch out Beverly Hills 90210. . . Hamilton has a t.v. show now!

By Alex Slater '99
Features Staff Writer

Everyone has heard the phrase "This is WHCL, 88.7, Hamilton College's Radio Station" , and everyone picks up their new copy of the Spectator on Friday as they go into dinner. But soon rooms around the Campus will also be graced with the sound, and sight, of a new form of student media— college television.

David Gaynes, a first-year, has single-handedly envisioned a campus television show, to be run entirely by the students of Hamilton. Last year, Gaynes produced a 25 episode series for his highschool.. Gaynes said he believes a t.v show will benefit Hamilton as much, if not more, than his high-school.. "In high-school I often found it hard to fill a half-hour show, but here I find myself saying that half an hour isn't going to be enough to cover college issues," said Gaynes.

The Publications Board obviously agreed with Gaynes. He has been made a temporary member of the Board, which was recently renamed the "Student Media Board." According to Cary Devorsetz '96, Chairman of the Publications Board, Gaynes' plans were,"well presented and well organized— we were very impressed."

As a result, the Student Media Board allocated generous funds for the venture, enabling the show, which is to be named "Panorama—Life on the Hill", to buy basic equipment.

Due to departmental restrictions, Panorama is restricted from Hamilton's high-tech editing facilities. Because there is no studio available, cameras will shoot entirely on location. For now,the program's staff will utilize the video department's editing room in the basement of McEwen. But Devorsetz said he hopes that Panorama will be given a room in Bristol Campus Center after renovations take place there this summer.

So what can we expect from this new television show? According to Gaynes,"The show will walk the fine line between news and entertainment".

Panorama—Life on the Hill will be a half-hour in length, and will most likely include two features,

"It will not be a Wayne's World, it will be a professional production that is formed from the creativity of everyone involved."

—DavidGaynes, Director of the new t.v. show called *Panorama—Life on the Hill.*

interviews with students and concerned faculty, and a humor slot.. Gaynes envisions covering issues of primary concern to the community, such as the Residential Life Decision, vandalism, and incoming speakers.

Panarama will also provide a commentary on sports events, although Gaynes does not foresee a need for live coverage. So far, he has recruited about four people who are interested in the sports section .

Panorama will not include advertisements— the law stipulates that such a station can make no money. However, some College promotional features might be broadcast.

The show is scheduled to start at 7:OO p.m. on Wednesday nights. It will broadcast on channel three of the cable network. Gaynes said he hopes to have televisions moved into Beinecke Student Activity Village, which will continuously run a loop of the program. Devorsetz did express concern that such an arrangement would be unsuitable for students to view more than a small part of the show.

Lindsay Conny'99 said she felt that her interest in the show would depend on its qualit.y. "It depends how good it is— if it is interesting and entertaining I would stop and watch," she said.

The idea of a student- run television show is one at which many might turn up their noses, afraid of amateurism, hazy focus, rough changes and uneven sound. But Gaynes assures us that "Panorama" will be highly professional. ."It will not be Wayne's World, it will be professional production that is formed from the creativity of everyone working on it.," he emphasized.

Over 25 people have signed up to help with the show, and the first goal will be quality.

On a campus where the student media gods of WHCL and the Spectator have ruled for a long time, the new comer, "Panorama", promises to alter the nature of media worship forever.

Don't forget to watch! Wednesday nights at 7:00 on Channel 3

In Root Hall with Professor Catherine Kodat
On Clinton: "Learn to cook and buy a VCR"

By Ben Berkman'96
Special to Features

The following is the first in a series of informal interviews to begin appearing on a weekly basis. The series will not be exclusive to professors but rather will focus on the most interesting members of the Hamilton Community: students and staff, people and professors, both on campus and off.

Out of all the academic buildings on Hamilton's campus, none embodies more marrow of tradition than Root Hall. From the neo-classically designed exterior to the time-worn passages inside, the whole structure feels haunted by the ghosts of its venerable former students like Josh Billings and Ezra Pound. The English faculty seems to personify this heritage and until very recently the department had more than its fair share of crusty old codgers.

But in the barrage of changes that took place following the implementation of the ubiquitous Residential Life Plan, the English Department followed suit and revitalized itself by hiring several exciting new professors. Among those enjoying their inaugural semesters at Hamilton is Professor Catherine Kodat.

As a student in Professor Kodat's Southern Modernist Writers class, I found myself becoming increasingly intrigued by this young and enthusiastic teacher. In a manner that is uncharacteristic of a new professor, Kodat exudes confidence in her ability to explain the intricacies of daunting writers like Faulkner and Tate. In the hour long interview we had in her office atop Root Hall, we discussed life on the hill, her remarkable family and the coincidence-filled career that brought her here.

For the typical academic, the desire to pursue a PhD is usually one that develops early in their college career. This was not the case with Professor Kodat, who began her undergraduate education at the Peabody Institute of Baltimore to train as a pianist. After two years of exhausting study, sne decided to drop music altogether and transferred to the University of Baltimore where she received a BA in english. Unlike Hamilton, graduates of this school were "not buying a prestige degree." A junior-senior college, many of her fellow students had come from junior colleges and retained modest intellects. Neverthe less Kodat liked her

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individual professors and developed a fondness for writing.

Following her graduation, Kodat got a job at *The Baltimore Sun* and in her own words started from the bottom. "I was a glorified gopher," she said. Undiscouraged by the menial positions of clerk and copy boy, she persevered and ultimately made it to the metro desk where she wrote the "Neighborhoods" beat, and also critiqued dance on the side. In time however, work

that was once a thrill began to lose its luster. "Newspaper writing and newspaper life is very formulaic," Professor Kodat said. "Eventually the grind of it wears you out. Besides I wanted to have a family, and that's not easy to do if you have to cover murders that happen at 2 in the morning."

While Professor Kodat was employed by *The Sun*, she taught some journalism workshops at the University of Baltimore. Through these classes, she discovered she had a penchant for teaching. Combining this inclination with her desire to have children, she made a relatively easy decision and left the newspaper to obtain her PhD in English. It was during her graduate work at Boston University that Professor Kodat hit upon the author whose novels would later frame her class at Hamilton. "I was taking a survey course entitled 'framing fiction'. When we got to The Sound and the Fury and Absalom, Absalom! I was hooked," she said. Students in Professor Kodat's Southern Modernists class cannot dispute this fact. When discussing Faulkner's works, Professor Kodat arrives for class armed with pictures of Faulkner and the estates upon which his books are based, maps of

"I think that if you are impassioned by what you do, good things will come of it."

mythical Yoknapatawpha County and a notebook filled with scrupulous notes and page references.

Like many graduate students, Professor Kodat functioned as a teaching assistant while working on her dissertation. Employed by Boston College, Kodat was informed in 1992 that a senior professor had fallen ill and was no longer able to retain his classes. Consequently, Professor

Did you know that Professor Kodat gave birth to triplets and defended her dissertation in the same year? "I guess you could say 1993 was a big year for me!" she said.

Kodat was called in. When I asked her to comment on this fortuitous turn of events, she responded "I think if you are impassioned by what you do, good things will come of it."

The luck that had already characterized much of Kodat's work life soon found its way into her personal one as well. Because she and her husband Alex were having difficulties conceiving a child, Professor Kodat began taking fertility treatments. Evidently they worked for when she finally became pregnant it was with triplets! The two boys, Axel and Dexter, and one girl, Madeleine, were born in May 1993 and in October of the same year, Professor Kodat defended her dissertation. "I guess you could say 1993 was a big year

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A former Yugoslavian's perspective on the war

By Kresimir Marusic '97
Special to Features

War in the former Yugoslavia has been a continuous media attraction during the last five years. The war started with Croatia's and Slovenia's separation from the social-communist regime of the then-Yugoslavia, and continued with the Serb invasion of Croatia and Bosnia. The liberation fights of the Bosnians and the Croats followed as an answer to the Serb invasion.

Hopefully, recent NATO strikes, along with shifting balance of power in the area— right before peace talks— will bring the conflict to its final phase. Spectators and outsiders have uttered their views of this tragic saga. Nevertheless, the contemplations and opinions of the actors and insiders have not been as widely vocalized and as well known. What is it like to look at the war in the former Yugolavia from the inside? What do the majority of people in Bosnia and Croatia think of the involvement of Western countries, the United Nations and the United States in the conflict? As an insider, I hope to answer some of these questions.

The conflict started when the Serbs, led by their irrational and radical government, engaged in atrocities and conquest of unprecedented level in the modern area. What has happened since is more less known.

Five years after the beginnings of the war, the former Yugoslavia is an anarchic creation dissolved in the blood of numerous victims, and dismantled in the ruins of numerous homes, whose final days are counted down in a process supervised by Western countries led by the United States. The proximity of a final solution is still ambiguous, but everybody is resolved to finalize the conflict, with or without Western help.

The United States' resolution to finalize the conflict is the "happy ending" to an otherwise ironic farce played out by the Western countries. In light of the post-Cold War balance of power game, some leading countries were testing their new political and military position, at the expense of people struck by the war in the former Yugoslavia. Britain, France and Russia often lacked an obvious logic and did not use common sense to determine who was attacking and who defending, who needed help and who deserved punishment..

Their "unbiased" and "everyone is equally guilty" approach to the early stages of conflict perpetuated the problem by preventing a multilateral consensus on intervention. It also gave the Serbs reason to disregard outside warnings and continue with crimes of ethnic cleansing.

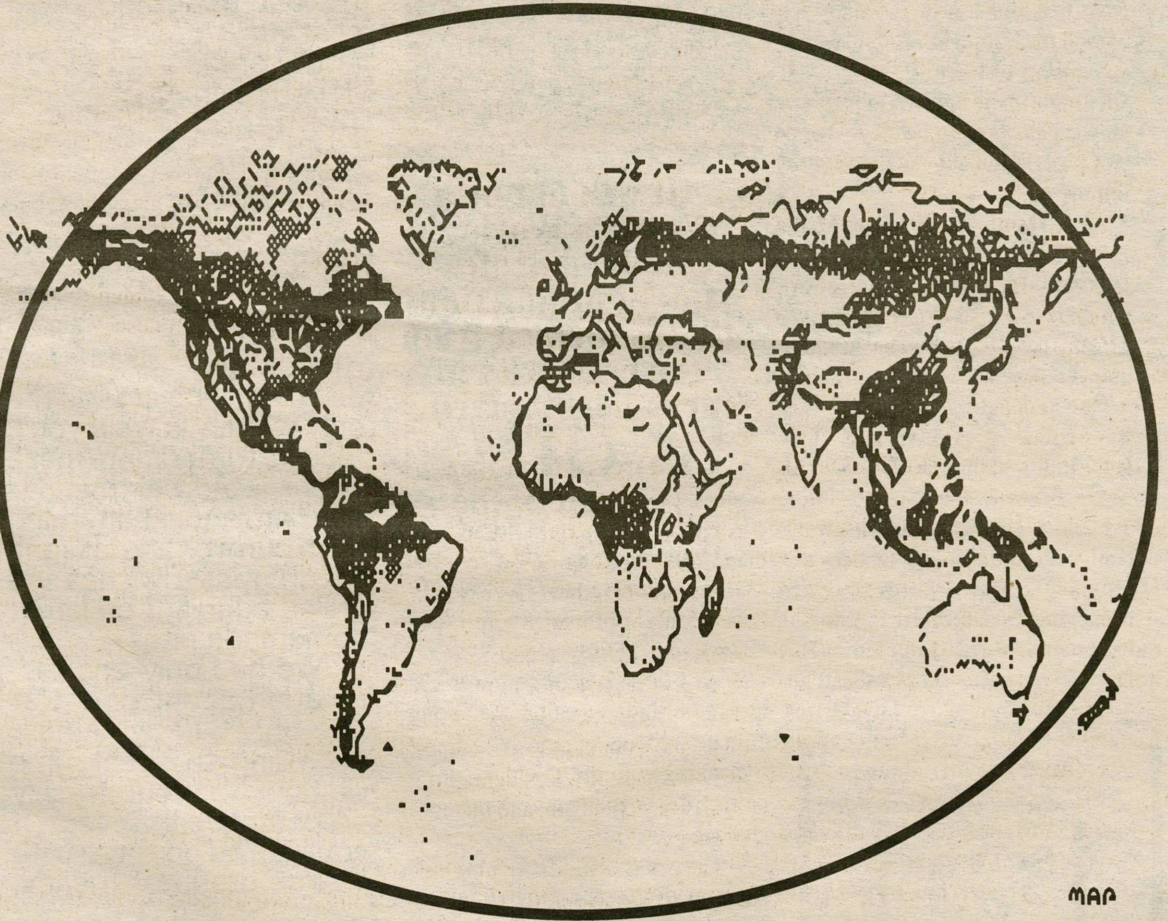
Such approaches reflect historical and political ties that the aforementioned countries have had with Serbia, as well as thosecountries' struggle for power within the European Union and the globe.

The indecisive West added another dimension to the story. The people involved in the war, victims tive of and disbelief in the acclaimed "Western values", such as values of values of democracy and capitalism. These very same values were idealised during the years of communist oppression. Although never uttered, they were commonly desired. Sarcasm and disinterest now describe the feelings of most people in Bosnia and Croatia in regard to the farce called Western intervention.

The farce played out by the UN ,France, Britain and Russian, complemented by the US's hesitation since the very beginnings, have taken away almost every hope for decisive outside help. It is true when people say "God helps those who help themselves."

The role of the United Nations is another "highlight" to the conflict. Beginning with its inability to decide on measures necessary to curb the conflict, the UN demonstrated that they are not capable of handing the crisis with their existing resources and leadership.

Sending the peacekeeping forces proved to be a major failure of UN peacekeeping politics. The UN forces failed to accomplish many parts of their agenda. They did not enable people in Croatia and Bosnia to return to areas under their supervision; they were not armed sufficiently than to be more than just puppet protection. They sometimes even collaborated with the Serbian Army, overlooking continuous Serb atrocities in the areas they were supervising. As a result, the UN military role has been dismissed by Croats and Bosnians as useless.



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The humanitarian role of the UN has been the only bright spot in its engagement in Bosnia and Croatia. Unfortunately, it was used largely as a political band-aid to appease those who felt that something should be done to help the attacked people. Just like postponing the lifesaving surgery for the near-death patient. Altogether, the five year episode proved that the UN is not capable of being the leading world organization that will provide global peace and political and economic harmony. Perhaps their fifty year anniversary will mark the rebirth of a decaying organization.

Surprising recent developments, such as NATO bombing of Serbian strategic sites and peace negotiation talks, mark the final phase of the conflict and come as a relief to many people, Bosnians foremost. Notwithstanding, prevailing sentiment was: "If only they had done this a while ago…". Tens of thousands of people could still be alive, in their homes, with their families. The humanitarian help is greatly appreciated, but not as excuse for not doing anything else. Maintaining conditions for bare survival has not been the only solution at any time since the beginning of the conflict. But the game of politics prevailed over the game of life.

The United States, as the world's leading power, certainly has the capability to resolve the conflict. The peace talks, where all three sides will negotiate, are the example of such a capability. However, conclusions and declarations should not be merely paper documents. Subsequent implementation under American led NATO supervision is necessary if peace is going to happen.

The fear of a Vietnam sequel or exorbitant costs are the most common concerns of the American public. But if the US is to lead the world into the next century, it will have to realize that one has to "walk a talk". As the only capable world leader in sight, the US should make an effort to prove their leadership ability. And peace implementation in the former Yugoslavia is the first step to the position of the next century's world leader.

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Hamilton's favorite drug

By Diann Lynch R.N.C.

As we recognize alcohol awareness week, consider these thought-provoking facts:

- Alcohol is America's favorite drug.
- Alcohol is the most common drug used/abused on college campuses.
- Last year, Hamilton College EMT's responded to 23 alcohol related emergencies on this campus.
- Alcohol is implicated in 40% of all academic problems.
- 90% of all campus rapes occur when either the victim or the assailant is drunk.
- 60% of college women who acquire HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases were under the influence of alcohol while having intercourse.
- 95% of violent crimes and 53% of all injuries on college campuses are alcohol related.
- Drivers under 21 have the highest rates of alcohol related traffic crashes.
- About 21% of all suicides are alcohol related.
- A 12 oz. beer, a 5 oz glass of wine and 1 and 1/2 shots of liquor all contain the same amounts of alcohol.
- The average-sized person can only metabolize one drink in one hour.
- Women do not process alcohol as well as men and are more vulnerable to the effects of alcohol.
- Alcohol is a central nervous system depressant.
- Alcohol interferes with normal sleep patterns.
- Alcohol decreases sexual performance.
- Alcohol lowers inhibitions and magnifies emotions
- Many students have well established drinking problems before they come to college.
- Binge drinking (five or more drinks in one sitting) is common among college students
- Drinking with the sole purpose of getting drunk is a common cause of alcohol overdose.
- There are over 80 different "drinking games" that are popular on college campuses.
- Drinking games are more common among first-year students than in the upper classes.
- The object of many drinking games is to see who can consume the most alcohol without showing immediate signs of intoxication.
- While playing drinking games, players consume an average of 1 and 1/2 beers or several shots of liquor in a 15 minute time period.
- Many drinking games involve drinking a "shot a minute" or chugging cans of beer.

Restaurant Review

The Only Cafe

By Giada & Veronica Bufalini '98

The Only Cafe, located in Vernon, is a quaint little place for casual dining. The atmosphere is similar to just about no other restaurant in the area. If you're in the mood for home-made tasty meals, than this is the place to go. Even though there's only one chef, who acts as the only waiter as well, you'll receive the ultimate meal. There is no set menu—you can request anything from burritos and lasagna to turkey sandwiches and grilled eggplant on large, homemade pitas.

We had only one reservation about dining at The Only Cafe: you must be willing to spent time waiting for your freshly prepared meal. In fact, if you plan to go there with a large group of friends, than your best bet is to call ahead and place your order, ensuring that your meal will be ready within a reasonable amount of time and that the chef has the desired amount of food availabe. The Only Cafe is very unique. In fact, the word restaurant may not best describe this place. With limited seating, limited quantities of food, and one chef, it seems more like a kitchen than a restaurant. However, the low prices and delicious sandwiches are definitely worth it.

So if you feel like spending some time, very little money, and having a healthy and delicious meal, than this is the best choice around.

Professor Kodat

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for me," she said.

An Albany native, Professor Kodat did not experience the culture shock that hits many of us when arriving in bucolic Clinton for the first time. Defending Clinton from my indictment of it as one of the most boring places on earth, Kodat said: "Once you have children you no longer need seven pan-Asian restaurants and twelve art house movie theatres. You learn to cook and you buy a vcr." Professor Kodat also views Clinton as an ideal place to bring up children. "It's beautiful and safe," she pointed out, adding "you try to protect your children from the vicissitudes of the world." Aptly put, as Clinton's biggest variation in the past four years was the renaming of Brooks to "Revco".

Unlike Katie Koestner who in her speech on Wednesday evening seemed to feel that Hamilton has a host of transcendent problems, Professor Kodat sees them as "endemic of any school that has a small setting and ununique to here. Our problems are ones that students at other schools have dealt with. It has taken a while to handle them but I'm not sure why." Later Kodat suggested that fraternities may be partially responsible. Surmising on why we still have them at all she related: "There is an honest desire to try to keep going the very warm feelings alumni have for Hamilton." Whether or not the continuation of greek life at Hamilton will accomplish this goal is anybody's guess.

Replying to my observation of her career path as somewhat eccentric, Professor Kodat had this to say: "I like the fact that its been irregular. I got to do a lot of things."

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Quotable Quotes

By Missy Wiechmann '97

"Wait , you mean mailmen deliver mail?"
-Stacey Hanna '97. What did you think they delivered Stacey, and how recently did you get that bubble removed?

"Do you wanna see my package?"
-Overheard in the mailroom. Wait , could that be considered as sexual harassment?

"Do you know how I write a paper? It's like one fart after another until I take*!#@#!."
-Leila Ray '97 . Well, maybe that could explain your grades. (Sorry Leila, but you set yourself up for that one).

"It's stuck, I need a bigger hole."
-Tina McSorley '96. You know what they say. There's nothing that surgery can't fix!

"Over our heads and through Christy's legs!"
-Tabitha Bowling '96 in reference to Christy Cosby '96 and their exaggerated height differences.

"The only thing that I've 'spooned' lately is my comforter."
-Maureen Flynn '96 after another lonely Saturday night at Hamilton.

"I'm Queen Sheeba, Beauticia's Momma! "
- Cat Fraim '98. I won't even try to understand what that means.

"Pull hard to get off."
-Katie Brown '98. Hey Katie, don't pull too hard or you'll hurt somebody.

"Your nose gets more action than I do! You know, you blowing it and liquid coming out! "
-Cale Pickford '98. That comment can just stand alone.

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EDITORIAL

Bridge out on Hamilton's information superhighway

An important bridge is missing on Hamilton's information superhighway. While our multimillion dollar campus information network, operational since late September, extends into the rooms and offices of students, faculty members, and administrators, it has not yet reached the offices of *The Spectator* and every other student-run publication at this college. The benefits of internet access for this newspaper would be enormous. Students on campus and alumni around the world would be able to send us their letters at the push of a button. No longer would we have to deal with broken disks, lost papers, and their associated complaints. The PC/Macintosh incompatibility barrier would vanish. *The Spectator* and every other publication would truly become the living, breathing, representative voices of the Hamilton community, its opinions and concerns.

With so many potential benefits, it seems logical that network installation in Bristol Campus Center, the location of our offices and those of many other student organizations, should receive the highest priority. Instead, it has received the lowest. Our promise to give our readers "direct communication via the campus network" has fallen by the wayside. Our inquiries regarding a completion date for networking are met with uncertainty. Maybe this semester, maybe next semester. . .

We recognize the great difficulty of installing a state-of-the-art campus network in less than a year's time. Information Technology Services and its contractors are to be commended for the speed and proficiency with which they completed its construction. But with that done, providing internet access for *The Spectator* and other student-run publications should not pose any difficulty.

The newspapers and publications of most competing colleges maintain their own home pages on the World Wide Web, complete with photos, e-mail addresses and archived articles. These serve as valuable resources for students and alumni who wish to interact, as well as anyone interested in learning more about the school. We look forward to creating our own home page, but we cannot do this until we are connected to the campus network.

In the span of a month, the Hamilton community has come to depend on the internet and its valuable resources including e-mail, the World Wide Web, and other on-line services. Many cannot even recall how they used to function without it. The members of Hamilton's student publications, however, can recall all too well and must bear the inconveniences of communicating the old-fashioned way and the embarrassment of watching publications of rival schools reach out to the world while we can barely reach the fences of our own backyard. Our badly-needed bridge to the information superhighway is missing. We can only wait and hope a construction crew arrives soon.

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Letters to the Editor

Discharge of gay lieutenant violates rights

To the Editor:

In the Thursday edition of the *USA Today*, there appeared a small, and most likely, unnoticed article about the honorable discharge of a gay officer in the military. The difference about this article, as compared to numerous other stories about gay and lesbians fighting for justice in the military and society, is that a large proportion of the Hamilton community knows of this officer in question.

Navy Lt. Richard "Dirk" Selland spoke to the Hamilton community just three short weeks ago about his two and a half year battle with the military. Selland, prior to acknowledging his homosexuality, was highly commended by his peers and superiors as an outstanding and excellent officer. However, excellence and outstanding performance in the military does not provide any assurances for the thousands of gay and lesbian officers in the Navy, Army, Air Force and Marines.

I bring up this point because a Baltimore federal judge ruled this week that Selland be honorably discharged from the military under the "don't ask, don't tell" policy. The federal judge stated that Selland's claims of "free-speech and due-process... do not override the military's need to keep morale high and maintain discipline." The military's so-called need to keep morale high and maintain discipline are heterosexual standards that take away the basic constitutional and human rights of gays and lesbians in our country. All able-bodied persons should have the right to serve the country and military with honor and distinction.

Selland's case will likely go to the Supreme Court where the judges will decide his fate in the military. As for the countless other homosexuals being discharged under the "don't ask, don't tell" policy, they too will continue to face bigotry, intolerance and prejudice until the policy is overturned, and the courts learn, once and for all, that gay rights are human rights.

Aleksandr T. Voniski '97
GLBSA and SHARP member

Gratitude expressed to Hamilton EMT staff

To the Editor:

On October 20, I had an accident on the steps of McEwen Dining Hall. Thank you to the Emergency Medical Technicians who responded so quickly! Your knowledge, composure, and compassion made my difficult situation more tolerable. It feels good to know that you are there for all members of the Hamilton community.

Colleen Roberts Pellman
Lecturer in Music

Letters to the Editor

Dunham RA's defend "fags" and "queers" on campus

To the Editor:

On Sunday morning, on the walk in front of Dunham, someone took it upon him or herself to do some chalkings. You can only imagine the joy and sense of community we felt at witnessing protests and activism by someone who felt free to express their opinion in such a positive manner. Were these the chalkings of a campus organization or individual concerned with some injustice long neglected by our community? Were these messages to announce some upcoming campus event? No, they were the work of someone who felt that there simply wasn't enough hate on the Hill, and that this situation should be rectified as soon as possible.

Several statements such as "Adam and Eve not Adam and Steve" and "Fags Suck" were written on the front steps and surrounding walkway. While we would not presume to tell people what they should or should not chalk, express, or otherwise believe, there were other, more disturbing, messages to which we must respond. Among them was "Death to Fags." This was not the only expression of hate, but it is indicative of a general theme which we found intolerable. Perhaps this was written in response to the other recent chalkings containing pro—queer messages which seemed to seriously disturb some people on campus. However, there is a distinct and inexorable difference between these chalkings and the ones to which they may have been a response.

The chalkings in front of Dunham were a clear threat to those queer folks both in Dunham and on the campus as a whole. Certainly one is well within one's rights to chalk, or express their thoughts be they anti- or pro-queer. In any free society, one must be allowed to voice whatever one wishes, be it a dissenting or majority opinion. However, one's rights end when they threaten another's. We, the Dunham RA's, cannot and will not accept threats against the lives of members of the Hamilton community, especially the residents of our dorm, even if they are done in "jest." There is simply nothing funny about advocating another's death and making them feel unsafe. Further, attempting to intimidate another, weaker, person (or group) is the clearest form of cowardice, and is reminiscent of the bullying we assumed was left in the schoolyard when we came to college. It is even worse when threats are made in an anonymous and spineless manner.

One must wonder what kind of thought, if any, went into this little display. Was this reactionary protest not in response to a greater evil? After all, a group who feels threatened and hated on campus had the audacity to express their feelings in the form of campus chalkings only a few weeks ago. Should not the gay bashers of the campus feel entitled to respond in kind? Of course, this wasn't exactly in kind, as the other chalkings threatened no one. But, it's not as if the gays, lesbians, and bisexuals on campus have anything to actually fear? Were they not equally spineless in spreading their evil messages of tolerance under the cover of night? No, in fact they were not. The person or persons who chalked in front of Dunham provide a clear example of why chalkings traditionally happen at night and anonymously. They substantiated the worst fears of many queer people. What they, in essence, said was, "We would rather kill you than allow you to love who you choose."

Several years ago, the phrase "Dead frat boys don't rape" was chalked in conjunction with some pro-women writings. Many people on campus (including some of us) were all up in arms, saying that such gross generalizations and threats against fraternity men only served to inhibit a supposed attempt for tolerance and change by threatening other students. Later, a swastika was found chalked on a walk, and again Hamilton was outraged. We spoke out against anti-semitism and "united" to prevent such a clear threat against Jewish students from occurring again. Of course, we conveniently forgot that this was a symbol of hate pertaining not only to Jews, but also gypsies, queers, Catholics, mentally and physically handicapped people, and any number of other people as well. Throughout all this, however, threats in the forms of phone calls, chalkings, graffiti, and physical violence against gay, lesbian, and bisexual students went largely ignored.

The rain on Sunday morning washed the chalk away before most people on campus could see it. If it had not, who knows how long it might have been before its removal became the priority that removing other chalkings has been at Hamilton. Of course, it was Multicultural Weekend, and Hamilton would have wanted to seem as diverse and tolerant as possible, so it probably wouldn't have taken long for the actual words to be erased. Then we could have all pretended that it didn't happen, as has so often been done in the past. But even with the chalk gone, the message remains clear: It is not safe to be a homosexual on this campus, so you had better leave.

Many might think that this is being blown out of proportion, or that it was an isolated incident and a reasonably acceptable reaction by anti-gay students. Just think of all the countless forms of harassment levied against the heterosexuals by the gay campus community and its supporters. There are just so many clear examples of "heterophobia" and "straight bashing" that the threats propagated by queer students are innumerable. These latest chalkings that graced the steps and walk outside Dunham were clearly the action of a logical person or group who could only be described as Hamilton's finest. After all, they were only protecting their right to remain in an overpowering, menacing majority. They were preserving the sanctity of Dunham and the college as a whole as a place of "critical thought, community, and citizenship." They were maintaining that long held and beloved Hamilton tradition-hate.

Unfortunately for the chalkers, we don't particularly care for that tradition, and we will not accept it. The nine of us will not allow our friends, fellow students, advisees, professors, or anyone else to be threatened on **our** campus without defending them. We would hope that others feel the same and see this, as well as all other vandalism, violence, and other such actions, as equally unacceptable. We are not saying that you must accept other beliefs or lifestyles and sacrifice your own, but you could agree to disagree. Or, you could just refrain from threatening people, unless that's too much to ask. Hamilton can continue to market itself as "A Very Special Place," but it never will be truly so until everyone feels safe. Not necessarily accepted, just safe.

The Dunham RA's
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A "Quick Response Team" deemed necessary

To The Editor:

As some of you may know, over the past weekend a series of anti-gay chalkings were found on campus. These chalkings were particularly disturbing because they threatened physical harm to members of our community.

When will we realize that this sort of behavior is hurtful and has no place in our community? We should all be offended by this senseless act of hatred. Violence, real or implied, has no place here. Protecting the identity of those responsible for such incidents allows such incidents to continue. This is a community issue, yours and mine, that requires all of us to confront behavior that is disrespectful and/or threatening.

The fact that this action took place in our home, a place that should be a safe and caring community, makes these discriminatory remards even more painful.

I would hope that all members of our community would be appalled by threats of violence against any individual or group.

Most of all I ask that we, as members of this community, take responsibility for coming forward when we know who has perpetrated actions against the community or individuals.

We are establishing a quick response team to address actions of hate on the Hamilton College campus. The team will consist of representatives from Residential Life, Campus Saftey, the Counseling Center, the Health Center, and the Dean of Students Office. In addition to the professional staff, we encourage representatives from various campus organizations.

For additional information, please feel free to contact me in the Multicultural Affairs Office at extension 4021.

Kerry Sethi
Director of Multicultural Affairs

Crew lacks funds for competitive edge

To the Editor:

I would like to thank Sam Walker for focusing his "My Two Cents" column on the crew team in last week's issue of the Spectator. He accurately portrayed our team's situation, and effectively argued why it is necessary for Hamilton to take the crew program more seriously by both increasing its budget and hiring a coach. His research on other NESCAC programs further revealed how Hamilton is far behind all of its NESCAC rivals in its support of what is fast becoming the most popular college sport.

Even though Hamilton rows against quite a few NESCAC crews at the various regattas it attends, we more frequently find ourselves rowing many upstate New York competitors. Hamilton falls short in its support when compared to these rivals, as well. At this past weekend's regatta in Saratoga Springs, we found ourselves to be the only student-run rowing team in attendance. Of course, it is not surprising that the perennial New York State powerhouses of Hobart, the University of Rochester, and Skidmore are varsity programs with numerous coaches, but the fact that Union, Colgate, Binghamton, and R.P.I. have well-funded and well-coached programs, makes our efforts merely to compete that much more difficult. For example, both R.I.T. and Colgate's novices rowed in boats that are newer and faster than our programs best boat.

Sam clearly articulated the need for Hamilton to address its poor support of crew. Only those with truly closed minds would not be persuaded by his well researched and convincing editorial. It is now time for the administration to seize this opportunity and place its rowing program on a level with its peer colleges, not only in order to be part of the popular trend of rowing, but also to legitimize the efforts of the 60 hard working rowers on our team.

Jason P.Andris '95

Letter and Op-Ed Policy

The Spectator's Letters and Op-Ed section is designed to be a forum for the entire Hamilton community to discuss and debate campus, local, and national issues. Letters to the Editor and opinion pieces are welcomed from all students, alumni/ae, faculty, staff, and friends of the College. Nevertheless, _The Spectator_ does have editing policies for contributions.

1. Submissions are due by 6:00 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Submissions can be sent to _The Spectator_ via campus mail or sent to one of the Letters and Op-Ed editors. Submissions can also be placed in the Letters and Op-Ed box outside the Spectator's office on the third floor of the Bristol Campus Center. The editor reserves the right to refuse any late submissions.

2. Letters should be less than 300 words, and the editor reserves the right to edit opinion articles for length. _The Spectator_ will also edit for misspellings, typographical errors, poor grammar, as well as diction. If specified, the editor will inform you of the changes. _The Spectator_ also reserves the right not to print letters, or opinion pieces. In such cases, the editor will provide the author with the reasons.

3. If the editor determines that a piece may be libelous, or an unwarranted invasion of privacy, then the piece will not be printed. _The Spectator_ reserves the right to correct factual inaccuracies or to refuse to print a piece due to factual inaccuracies.

4. The editor also reserves the right to return the piece to be rewritten.

5. If possible, all pieces should be submitted on a Macintosh disk along with a hard copy, but typed letters will also be accepted.

6. Letters submitted anonymously will not be printed. However, letters may be printed with the names withheld upon request, subject to the discretion of the editors.

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The Eve syndrome: Sinning and subservience glorified

After writing my last article, I followed up with reading other opinions on the Million Man March. I specifically recall a quote from a 24-year-old director. Travelling from Los Angeles to attend the march on Washington, this young person was asked if it was fair that women were not allowed to participate. The answer: "I'm glad that women did not attend. Women distract men, especially black women." My surprise was not at this sexist remark alone. When the speaker's identity was revealed, I was absolutely dismayed. The comment was made by a woman. I was outraged that some woman would apologize for her existence because she feels that her gender "distracts" men. I began to ask myself, why would a woman, who I can only assume is well-educated from her profession, make a remark suggesting that women are subservient to men. Should women be seen and not heard? If you don't believe that women still actually feel this way, go to the newsstand and look through some of the current women's fashion magazines.

I was casually flipping through one of these magazines, and laughing at the first couple of pages. It was a Dear Abbie type column, giving advice on a whole array of problems. One woman wrote in that she wanted to reclaim her dead brother's engagement ring, from his ex-fiance. This man committed suicide after his girlfriend dumped him. The sister thought she was entitled to the ring, and wondered if she had a case. As amusing as this sounds, it was only one of the many questions asked in the "Agony Column." Being too depressed to continue reading about these petty problems, I picked up another magazine. This one was more atrocious than the first. In one single issue, there were more articles on sex, and the degradation of women, than I had ever seen. The title page read like a how-to book on subservience. The first article was entitled "I Share My Husband With Seven Other Wives." Following that was "What I Learned From Sleeping With Your Husband," "He Wants What: Men's Biggest Sexual Fantasies," and "Dating: Why Men Panic (20 tricks to calm him down and get things rolling)." Now, I know what you all are thinking. This is nothing new, right? These are trashy magazines, and no one takes them seriously. Women buy them to look at the hottest trends, and for sheer entertainment. This is where I say you are wrong.

Sara E.Falkenberry
Pretzel Logic

Sure, I read this junk, and have a good laugh. I can tell myself that it is not meant to be taken seriously, but these messages of sinning and subservience are too blatantly common to ignore. In these magazines, women are told to give men what they want (mostly sex), and how to do it. Women who steal other women's husbands, or boyfriends, are glorified. So are women who bow down to men, and their desires. I am not saying that men are forcing women to behave in this manner. On the contrary, it is women who write these articles advising their readers to follow the path of "Sinning Eve." People wonder why women are so catty, and rip other women apart as soon as they turn their backs. It is magazines, and the media in general, that perpetuate this behavior.

Many will say that this message is avoidable. No one is forcing women to buy into the myth. I disagree. My friends went to a Halloween store last week to buy costumes for the weekend's festivities. Instead of finding fun Halloween outfits, they left in disgust. It was more like 101 ways to dress like a whore. Sure, there were plenty of things to dress up as: the barmaid, the wench, the pirate wench, the french maid, and even the hooker. Halloween should not be an excuse to dress up in your favorite lingerie to attract that cute boy you've been afraid to speak to in economics.

I am not pointing the finger at anyone and will be the first to admit that I have behaved this way in the past. Consciously, or subconsciously, most women have acted in this manner at one time or another. Women are not taught to be intelligent and creative, we are taught to be sexy. Although the messages that are being sent to us, via the media, perpetuate our behavior, we are not blameless. We support these messages when we purchase trashy magazines, and buy the products that are advertised in them. We also support these messages when we smile and giggle in our scantily clad outfits, instead of telling people what we really think. I realize that most of us will not admit to this behavior. I feel that it is so ingrained in our minds, though, that it goes unnoticed on a day to day basis. I also realize that it is easier to complain about something than it is to actually do something about it. I am not telling women that they shouldn't buy Vogue and Cosmopolitan, or lipstick and mascara. I am not even telling them that they shouldn't wear short skirts and half shirts. I just want women to realize that they too play a role in perpetuating the sexist notions in our society. Change must begin, and it must begin with us.

Student Assembly Corner

by Ali Hilaly '98

Greetings once again from the Student Assembly. In our continuing effort to prove that we do more than just sit around in three piece suits, smoke cigars, and drink brandy, we are submitting an update on some of the issues the Central Council has considered recently.

Several constitutional amendments have been brought before the central council ranging in scope from changes in the attendance policy, to impeachment procedures. These amendments do, (believe it or not), have a significant impact on the way your student government operates. Our attendance policy now requires members with over 3 skips to do an hour of community service for each skip, or be impeached. As always, Student Assembly meetings are open to the public, so you can come down and find out what's up first hand.

The Central Council Project Teams and Committees are also hard at work on their respective issues. For instance, Tim Fox and the Out-Door-Graduation Committee are presently speaking with faculty members and other institutions in an effort present a plan of action which is both practical, and also reflects many seniors' desire for an outside commencement. The Communications Committee is also embarking on an effort to "get the word out" via WHCL and (of course) student publications. Finally, the Bookstore Committee is hard at work trying to reduce those beginning-of-the-semester-lines at the register, high prices, and better deals. Once again, please talk with any of the committee chairs if you have any questions or concerns about their areas of expertise.

Finally, we made a minor error (something which politicians almost never do) last week in reporting that the anti-vandalism signs which were placed on the trees outside of Beinecke were put there by the Task Force of Student Assembly origins. Truth be told, the signs were actually the work of the Residential Life Office and we apologizing for stealing credit for a job well done. Until next time, remember that Cental Council meetings are held on Monday nights at 9:00 PM in the basement of Bristol and we'd love to see you there.

VOICE BOX

By Erin Mitchell '96

What do you think of Professors being encouraged to eat with students?

"Not a Super idea. We don't need longer lines."
Sam Wright '96

"Fine Idea. Students inviting Professors to eat lunch with them."
Prof. Marki

"Nice idea but... too hectic at lunch."
Sarah McNeilly '96

"Works in theory, not in practice."
Matt DelConte '97

"Great idea but not very practical."
Joe Nearey '97

Is there an end to the everlasting war?

How could the drug war be won? This question has been asked many times by a variety of individuals since the cocaine trade began to boom in the early eighties. The way in which nations have been trying to answer this perplexing question, particularly has been to attack the infrastructures of the drug cartels in Colombia. Countries were betting that if the material source of the problem is stomped, then the trade would end. However, this strategy will not bring about its intended goals for a variety of reasons. True, while the problem might be partially resolved by stopping the production of cocaine, it will in no way bring about the actual end of the trade.

After the assassination of Colombian Presidential candidate Luis Carlos Galan in August of 1989 by Pablo Escobar's Medellín cartel, the Colombian and North American governments vowed to bring this horrible plague to an end. With U.S. technological support, the Colombians chased after Escobar and his men, the world's leading coke producers and exporters at the time. By December of 1993, only after both sides had lost billions of dollars and suffered tens of thousands of drug-related deaths, the powerful Medellín Cartel had finally been decapitated. While the arrests and killings of the leaders were hailed as a great victory in the drug war, which they were considering that Escobar's had been the pioneer cocaine cartel, it was only a partial, symbolic victory. For the Colombians it meant that the terror of Escobar's "narco-terrorism", which consisted of nearly a dozen car bombs in 1993 alone, had finally come to an end. As it related to the trade in general, the war on Medellín created an effect opposite to that which it wanted to achieve. In the four years of battling with Medellín, Colombia's second cartel, the Cali Cartel, took advantage of the fact that the government had all its guns pointed in one direction and managed to strengthen its organization by learning from its enemy's mistakes and taking over former Medellín trade routes to a point were it monopolized 80% of the cocaine trade world wide (it was so elaborate and extensive that it even penetrated the former Soviet Union and other Easter European countries). Furthermore, although the Cartel's main leaders were either dead or imprisoned, the little guys where still around and still hungry for the huge profits that cocaine brought. Hence, they created or helped to create other smaller cartels or they simply joined the fast-growing Cali Cartel.

The governments of the United States and Colombia, however, did not call it quits after they destroyed the Medellín Cartel and proceeded to chase the strongmen of the Cali Cartel. This time they entered the war with more determination and more knowledge on how to fight organized crime. Staring in June of this year, the Colombian authorities captured seven of the eight leaders of the Cali Cartel within three months. However, although it might be to early to determine how similar, the aftermath of this crackdown brought forth effects like those suffered in 1994 after the fall of Pablo Escobar's organization. Furthermore, the fall of the Cali Cartel, a cartel which had acquired the better part of its strength in Colombian society by corrupting high government officials which include police and army generals, congressmen, and maybe even Colombia's current president Ernesto Samper, is bringing about the fall of Colombia's political class, thus breaking the country's back. So what is there left to do now?

The drug trade has not been harmed significantly, except maybe for a dent or two, considering that rival cartels are already feasting off of Cali's lost wealth. Some even argue that the Cali Cartel is not dead and that its final fugitive leader is actually restructuring the management of the organization or that the cartel was simply taken over by the following line of Cali's hierarchy. Nevertheless, chances are that the two nations involved in this war will continue to use the same policy that has brought them nothing but failure and death in the past six years. However, something positive could come out of the continued use of this policy, at least for the Colombians. The Colombian people have been very hardened and frustrated by this prolonged conflict and they are finally demanding that someone, whether it be the actual democratic government or

Alejandro Eder
Global Core

maybe even a military dictatorship via a coupe, stop the violence. They do not care whether the cocaine trade is stopped because their society is not saturated with consumers. Rather, it is the negative effects, both social and economic of the illegal trade which angers them.

The cocaine trade finds it easy to establish itself in Colombia for two primary reasons. First, social reality of Colombia, although it is a democratic country, is so unjust and backwards that it suppresses the poor into in their animallike state of living without much hope for improvement, save revolution. In this case the mafia is very much an insurgent movement because it is the people, the masses, going against the system that suppresses them to gain some wealth for themselves which will actually allow them to achieve something. It is not a revolution in the context that we know it, a political overturning of power, rather, it is an economic revolution which abuses the unjust, hypocritical and contradictory forms of society to thrive, much like the upper class of that country has done since the time of independence. The unequivocal solution to this is to push forward the democratic ideals of the country so that they become the democratic reality of the country. Once the people see that they are getting their rights as citizens of a free democracy and that they actually have the possibility to rise in that society they will be appeased and they will be more willing to live by the system for the simple reason that the system serves them the way it was intended to be.

Secondly, the justice system is so corroded and inefficient that you can literally get away with murder. It is a weak system which suffers from corruption at all levels, from its policemen to its judges. This branch of the government is currently going through hard-core reforms thanks to the new district attorney Valdivieso Sarmiento, coincidentally the cousin of Luis Carlos Galan. It is because of this D.A. that Colombians still have some faith that their society can get through these hard times. The question is whether Valdivieso will be able to successfully complete his mission because, just as his cousin before him and many other political and governmental figures who wanted to bring about change, the threats on his life grow by the day. Regardless if Colombia manages to actually create an iron-fist judiciary branch, they would create within the country an environment which is so hostile and unprofitable for mob that they would simply move to another Latin American country where they could repeat what they had done in Columbia. Thus, although the drug trade would not have been exterminated, Colombia would be able to find a long-desired peace and begin to heal the wounds of a long and bloody war.

If the drug war is to be halted universally the problem needs to be attacked at its true source. That is, of course, the consuming front of the war. If there is no demand, there will be no supply. As a former Colombian ambassador to the United States pointed out, the law of supply and demand is just about the only law which the cocaine runners do not break. The problem is that there is no will on the United States part to fight consumption for whatever reasons. Maybe they just feel that it is a problem which does not affect them enough. After all, the U.S. government cut all Federal aid to drug rehabilitation programs this year in their budget cuts. This means that both drug consumption and crime will go up significantly, as well a spending on police and Federal agencies such as the DEA and the CIA, consequentially prolonging these two agencies unnecessary existence in order to fight this rise. It is odd, is it not, that when alcohol was illegal in this country, they opted for legalization because it was bringing about too much violence and corruption at all levels of American society. Yet the cocaine trade only brings about those consequences in the minority classes of this country and in foreign countries, two places which are far away from the comforts of Capitol Hill. The difference is that the violence is bloodier than ever and the corruption is more pervasive than ever. Coincidentally, the cocaine trade also creates more money than the whiskey trade, money which will find its way into the economy through laundering and, at a lesser scale, through habitual consumption. Thus, the drug trade will never be eliminated. Universal drug trade will not be removed unless the consumer countries like the United States do not begin to either punish drug users and dealers more severely or until they truly make it part of their agenda to fight consumption and addiction.

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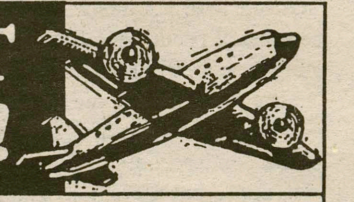

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Rebels in the Heartland of America

The following is an excerpt from a novel I am writing about three college students from suburbia who rob their hometown 7-11 and road trip to the Alamo. This particular section is set in a motel room in Texarkana. I thought it might just spark some interesting thought or conversation. Enjoy!!

...Shortly after we had finished acquainting ourselves with our temporary hotel residence, Jared burst through the door, fast food in hand and babbling about the piece of Americana that he had just experienced.

"It's so stereotypical and surreal man, I was buying fast food dinner, a uniquely American invention, in McDonald's a symbol of America. Look at those dudes in Moscow who wait on line for hours to get it, and we take it for granted. Not only the Mickey D's, but I — we're in Arkansas, the heartland of the nation. And I walked down the highway and realized what we're doin', road trip, Kerouac. This is America, it's in such full force I can't believe it's real."

"Food?"

"Oh yeah, here, chow down! But do you understand what I'm saying, about this, our experience right now?" he inquired, becoming caught up in his thoughts again and forgetting to hand over the food.

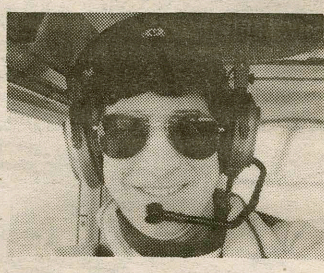
The strange thing about our trio is that we had some very different views on most issues, and this one was no exception. Genny exclaimed, "Your America is through a freakin' polarizing filter!"

This composed and lucid outburst pleased Jared to no end. He loved to argue and one might even theorize that his comments were based as much in emotion as they were to rile Genny up. "G, what the hell are you talking about? Are you smoking crack? Classic America is not controversial, it's established and this is it!"

"First of all, that statement only proves my point about your ignorance. All your points are weak, starting with Kerouac. Unlike the legions of pseudo-intellectuals running around, I've read his books and he is a racist, bigot, and his attitude towards the Mexicans is also pretty damn condescending. Hold on, I'm not done, but I want to eat for a minute. Give me a five minute salad break. And hey, will you toss me that fat-free Mcdressing?"

Jared finally relinquished his hold on the bag of food and passed it to Genny. She grabbed her vegetarian portion of the meal which had manifested itself as two garden salads, a coke, and fries, and tossed the rest back to Jared and me. We all began to eat quickly as to return to the topic at hand soon, but slowed down as our stomachs grew fuller. All the same, a grand debate was definitely in the works, but Jared decided to postpone it by demanding that we join him in blowing lines of the Ritalin that he had just extracted from his pocket. As with everything he does, there was a logical reason (or rationalization) for this activity. As he so eloquently put it, "If we're going to have an intense conversation, we might as well use this and focus, besides we can't use it in the car or we'll never sleep." I watched Jared go to work. He began to undertake a procedure that I'd witnessed an uncountable number of times in the past and doubtless would see again in the future. Nevertheless, it fascinated me to no end. To begin with, he grabbed a print entitled "Sunset at Benjamin's" off the wall and then poured 16 five milligrams pills onto it. Using my Swiss Army knife, he carefully began to chop up the unassuming white tablets. First, they lost their perfect, round symmetry and became jagged, rough chunks laying clustered together on the glass. When any piece attempted to seek refuge near one of the frame's sides or corners, Jared carefully guided it back to the center. Then he layed an Amex card on top of the remains and finally pulverized it. Getting excited, he removed the card and began to mince the already finely crushed substance with it. A short time later, he carefully spread our newly created powder into three lines which eclipsed the artist's picture book sunset atop which they sat. Lastly, Genny disassembled our free "La Quinta" pen and once again utilized my Swiss Army knife, this time to cut the now inkless tube in half in order to facilitate the drug into our noses.

And then we snorted some foreign white powder through a plastic tube into our nostrils to the back of our throats, and from there to god knows where. What we were left with was a bad taste in the back of our throats, a perfectly framed painting that seemed empty in retrospect, and an unbelievable rush of energy. I've always thought that it's kind of funny that Ritalin is a drug designed for people with Attention Deficit Disorder and is so popular with people of our generation. ADD is known to be one of the most over diagnosed diseases in modern times; likewise Ritalin is overprescribed to our generation in the same manner Prozac is overprescribed to our parents generation. Personally, I theorize that its very probable that actual, biological cases of ADD in our generation are seldom, but many people acquire the illness's sympton via conditioning. Our generation more than any other in history has been raised on soundbytes and clips. For example, as a young child I spent countless hours watching Sesame Street, a show which was nothing more than a compilation of short segments; this virtue can also be seen in something abstract as the music industry's return to more polished studio sounds from the jammy style of twenty years ago (exceptions i.e. Phish, Blues Traveler acknowledged). This pattern can be seen in video games, and better yet in T.V. where it spans everything from the news to comedy programs and is epitomized in the sitcom. So perhaps ADD can be present genetically as doctors insist, or be acquired through a conditioning that coincidentally most members of our generation have acquired.



Ben Mintz
Grey Matters

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"Genny, so what is America if not this?"

Much calmer, but also more passionately, she replied, "America is a geographic place labeled on any world map. I believe what you mean to be referring to is the "American Dream" or even "Americana.""

"OK, let me rephrase that, Genny. What if this isn't the American Dream? What is??"

"Maybe *this* is the American Dream, but out there, what you came back raving about, *that* is not!"

Personally, I love to watch and learn, be it from the films, the car's windows, or an argument. At this point I admittedly was not learning; in fact, the entire discussion was on the verge of becoming a giant flashback to last semester's nine o'clock calc class. So what I was left with was a choice between being quietly lost for the remainder of the night or interjecting. I chose the latter and said, "Someone clarify this, 'this and that' jargon."

The creator chose to defend and elaborate her infant theory. "That is Jared and his experience out there . . . some rich kid from the suburbs wandering about some foreign town and stereotyping the inhabitants as jolly farmers in the heartland, happily tending to their cows and the missus. When he returns from his twenty minute walk, he declares all America is happy and good. Oh, I almost forgot, along the way he stops at a fast food restaurant and declares that the processed crap fried in oil until you can no longer taste anything but the salt and sauce further exemplifies the attainment of the dream. That is why all through school we learn how history is biased info from white land-owning males."

"So what, if Jared is so far off in his analyses, what's right?"

"The American dream was what Jared described in the 50's, but its been morphed by society. You can see some of the attitude change in the movies, originally there were movies like *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* and *The Blob* where the government always saved the good people of the United States from some evil, oppressive, communist -esque force in the end. Then as everything changed, we wound up with stuff like E.T. and the A-Team where the government is the evil, oppressive force and people must save themselves from it. The political roots are in the way people lost trust in the government after Eisenhower lied about U2 and then Nixon with Watergate, and then all the bull and scandals in 80's. What I was trying to say, is that the dream is reflective of a country that no longer mistakes the Brady Bunch for reality."

Her drug induced historical tangent was a strange reminder that before she convinced her parents to let her switch majors, Genny was well down the road to holding a Bachelor's Degree in sociology. As impressive as the ability to whip out facts about the relation of politics to cinema is, it did not explain what she meant by "Maybe *this* is the American Dream" and I was a little disappointed. Apparently so was Jared who spoke his mind about "being robbed of a great chat" and Genny losing the debate on account of "her poor form and delivery of the positive's first constructive speech."

She ignored our playful critique, took a deep breath, and proceeded, "What I was saying is that the American dream has envolved to this, exactly what we are doing now in some random filthy room; the location is irrelevant, it can be some skeevy motel or a dorm room or some high school kid's basement. Maybe even some yuppy's glass coffee table."

"Are you trying to say that the American dream is about getting fucked up?"

"No, not fucked up. Big steaky dudes get "fucked up", then they break shit and are happy. Doing drugs, drinking, watching TV, just chilling is what we do. We do those things to escape a pretty screwed up reality in a mellow way without sinking to the animalistic level of getting "fucked up." And sometimes if you do the stuff we do too much, then it becomes reality. In some instances its a better reality, but then again it usually isn't and we have to find a bigger rush because reality is a patient predator which always catches up in the end. Some people spend their life running, and a bunch get caught and have to watch it all crash down on them. Don't get the wrong idea, its not all about drugs and stuff, those people crying at Graceland were upset because Elvis was their escape and they were confronted with reality via his estate and more importantly his grave. Point being, Americans realize that reality sucks whether consciously or subconsciously and their dream has always been to escape it. The only difference is that the methods have never been so numerous or blatant as with our generation..."

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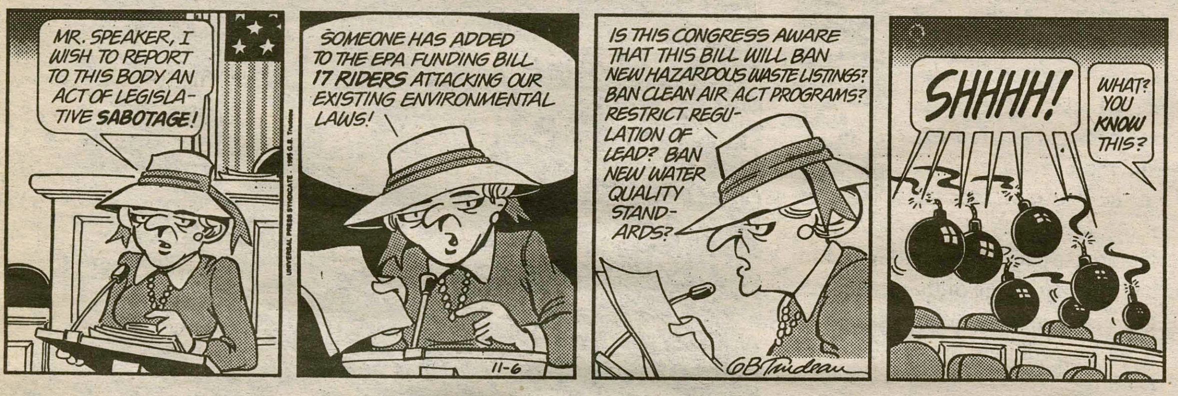

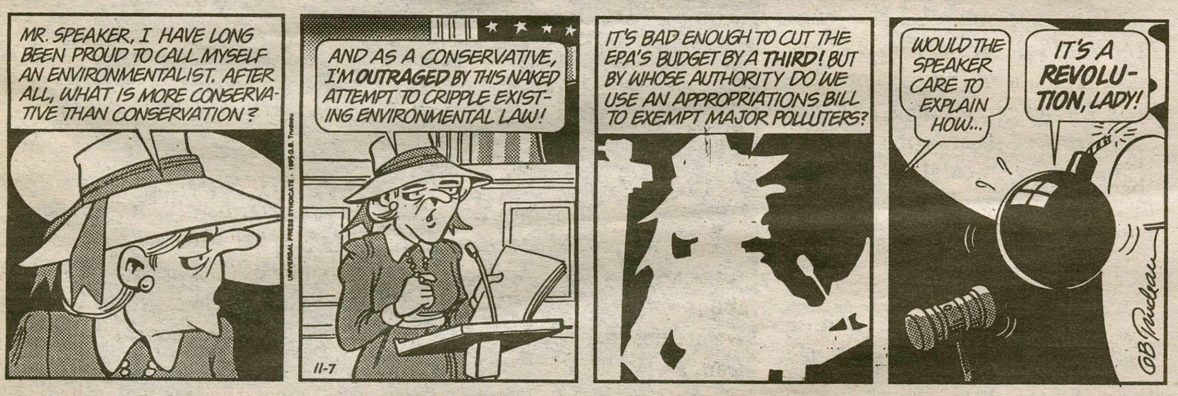

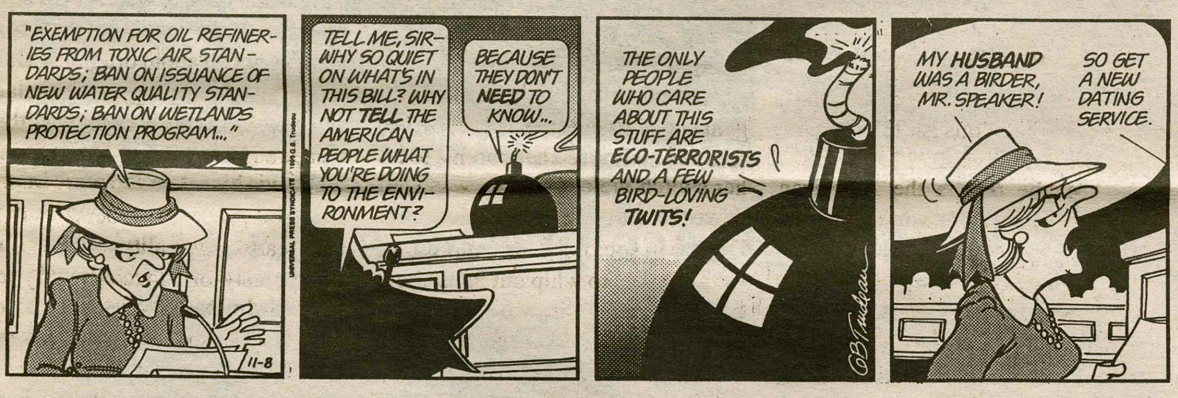

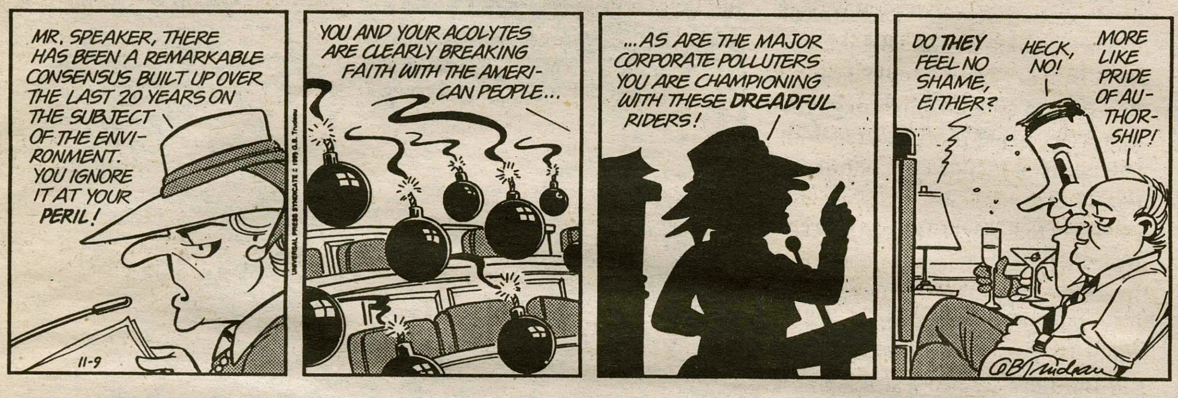

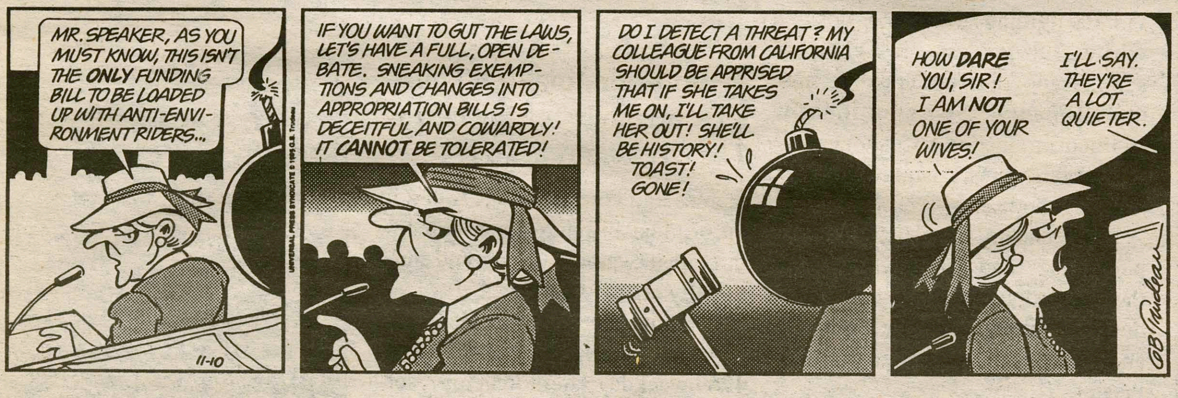

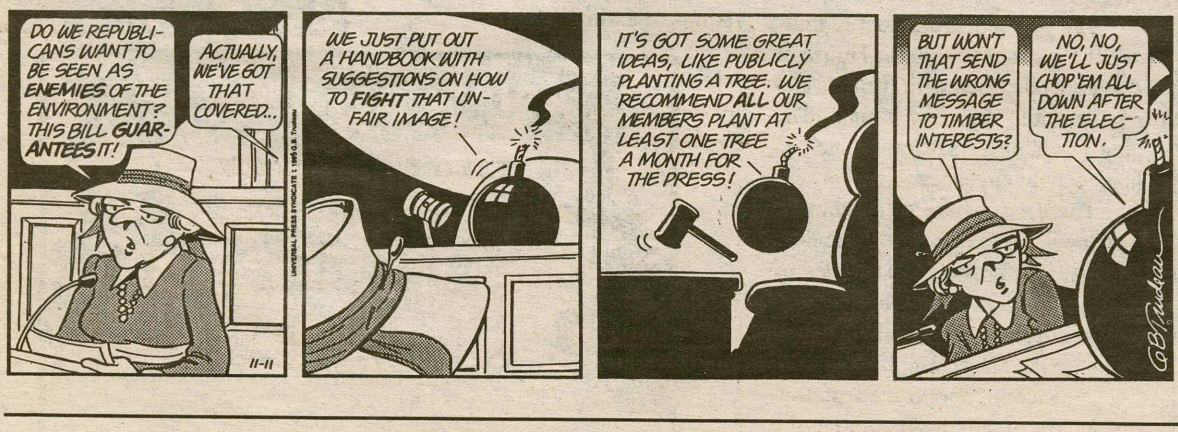

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Thank you! Thank you! Thank you again! Thank you for being there and giving your time. The Weekend went great and your presence was truly appreciated! Things could not and cannot run smoothly without you. I cannot thank you enough!

-Josie

Becky Lynn-

Why did you leave me? I miss you so much. I guess I'll have to wait, eating my chips and dip, alone.

-SuperModel

Dawn, Tif, and Josie,

Thank you! Nationals baby , Nationals ! It's A.G.

-Moe

Lou-

I'd love to meet with you again. Your discourse on volcanoes was amazing. Come up again and come inside tonight! (I promise it will be warm).

-Gwen

Earball-

What's wrong? Are you okay? You seem so filled with rage. Can I do anything? Put a smile on that face. Do you want to talk about it ? Blah, blah, blah, blah, blah.

-Sweetscrum

Yully-

Hey, What's up, chickie? We miss you so much and wish you would come back to visit us. How is gay Paris? Hope to hear from you soon! We miss you.

- Little Bo Peep, Snow White and Elmyra

Chick Pea-

The tomato has gone bad so the salad is no longer edible, we must fix it.

-Rutabaga

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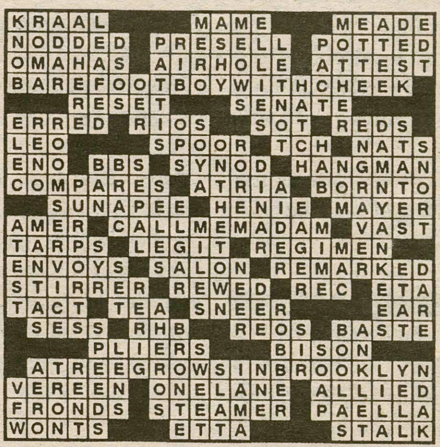


BUDDHA'S BUZZ

Good music smells like Skunk

Afghan Whigs finish up album, U2/Eno effort in stores Tuesday

By Peter Gaston
A&E Editor

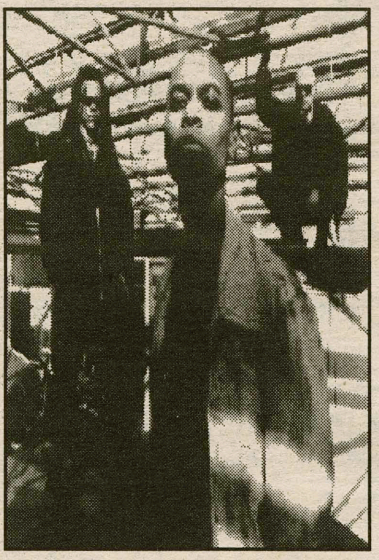
If you've seen any previews for the film *Strange Days*, you might hear an epic sounding song in the background. This is from one of the U.K.'s biggest new bands, Skunk Anansie.

Fronted by the bald, bad, and boisterous funkstress Skin, Skunk Anansie meshes funk, metal, and soul into one of the most interesting sounds on the music scene today. The band's debut disc, *Paranoid and Sunburnt* (One Little Indian), breaks out Skunk's fat groove in full force.

Skunk Anansie derived its name from two prominent characters in Jamaican folklore, the Skunk and Anansie, the spider.

Besides appearing on the *Strange Days* soundtrack, Skunk was featured in the film itself. The band is easy to recognize: look for Skin and her white face paint, almost resembling a 90's Grace Jones.

Paranoid and Sunburnt hit stores in September, but even before the album's release, Skunk had already encountered much success with two hit singles in the U.K. "Selling Jesus," which appears on the *Strange Days* soundtrack, reached number 46 on Britain's charts and earned them a spot on the U.K.'s premiere new bands tour, the NME Brat Bus, as well as the award for Best British Band from Kerrang! magazine.



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Skunk Anansie

The next single, "I Can Dream," almost broke the top 40, reaching number 41, and further pegged Skunk Anansie as a band to look out for. "Charity" is the band's current single and is the gem of *Paranoid and Sunburnt*.

Skunk is touring the States now, so check them out in your town over Thanksgiving or winter break, and for a taste of their live style go see *Strange Days*.

MUSIC NEWS

The Afghan Whigs are finishing up *Black Love* (Elektra), their first full album since 1993's breakthrough, *Gentlemen* (Elektra). The album is set for a March release, and the 17 songs that are in the bag represent the most intriguing Whigs material to date. Frontman Greg Dulli calls "Faded," one of the new tracks, the best song the Whigs have ever done, according to the latest issue of *Rolling Stone*.

Irish supergroup **U2** and longtime producer **Brian Eno** will release an album on Tuesday under the alias **Passengers**. Titled *Original Soundtracks 1* (Island), the disc will feature experimental soundtrack music. This album is a must for U2 fans as the band says that their next new album will be out in fall 1996 at the earliest.

Also new this week: **Bonnie Raitt**'s live double CD, *Road Tested* (Capitol); **Victoria Williams and Her Loose Band**, *This Moment in Toronto* (Mammoth); **Ace of Base**, *The Bridge* (Arista); **Quincy Jones**, *Q's Juke Joint* (Qwest/Warner).

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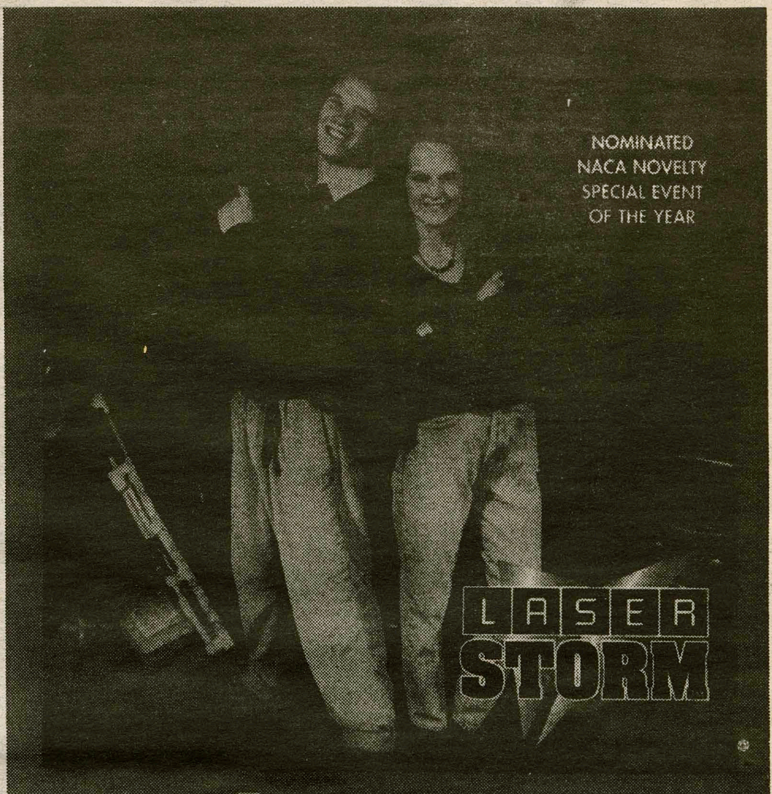

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Coffeehouse

Two singers/songwriters will be presented at the Kirkland Art Center Coffeehouse at 8 p.m. Friday November 3. Sharing the spotlight in separate performances are Carrie Newcomer and Kristina Olsen.

Newcomer has performed with such esteemed artists as Bonnie Raitt, Bruce Hornsby, and Cheryl Wheeler. She has been part of such major venues as Carnegie Hall and the Seattle Stadium. Newcomer has gained a lot of acclaim for her carefully crafted songs about life's pleasures, pain, and absurdities.

Olsen, from southern California is making her move in the music world with her exceptional guitar work, strong and honest vocals and gutsy, playful blues. Her experience as an artist, teacher, truckstop waitress, factory worker and volunteer in Costa Rica gives her songs a direct, self-assured edge. Her songs speak of love and loss, divorce and single-parenting and touch on political and spiritual issues.

Tickets to the Coffeehouse concert are $8 and may be purchased at the center in advance or at the door.

Artists' Fellowship

On Sunday, November 5, at 2 p.m., the center in Clinton will present the first of a series of presentations and discussions by recipients of the Artists' Fellowship granted by the New York Foundation for the Arts.

Experimental filmmaker Vincent Grenier will present his recent films and videos. Grenier won the Michael Moore Award for Best Documentary, as well as Best Experimental Documentary in the 16th Atlanta Film/Video Festival. He has been described as "one of the most rigorous filmmakers of the experimental cinema. Grenier focuses his interest on the simple gestures of the everyday, revealing the individual behind the mechanical and the routine." (Nicole Gingras, Cinematheque Quebecoise).

This event is free and is also made possible by the New York Foundation for the Arts. It is also being sponsored by the New York Council on the Arts.

Animation Festival

The Kirkland Art Center film series is presenting "The Sixth Annual Medicine Wheel Animation Festival", ten animated films carefully judged as the best in new and innovative animation of the year, on Saturday, November 4, at 7:45 p.m. This is a must for all interested in film as an art form. Our guest, Cheri Amarna, Director of the Festival Project, which is a fund raiser for a retreat for artists and filmmaker in Massachusetts, will be present to provide explanations and answer questions. Admission is $2,50 adults and $1.25 students. For more information, call the Art Center at 853-8871.

Theater and Dance presents *The Oresteia*

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Hamilton College's Department of Theater and Dance will present *The Oresteia* November 9th through the 11th and on the 15th through the 18th at 8 p.m. in Minor Theater, with an additional matinee on Saturday, Nov 11 at 2 p.m.

Directed by Visiting Assistant Professor Gerry Large, this adaptation of the only Greek trilogy to survive from antiquity comes to life in Minor Theater. Department designer Bill Burd has created a striking and vibrant lighting and scenic design, while Large has designed a soundscape that underscores and compliments this emotionally charged production. Costumes are provided by guest costume designer Amy Svoboda.

A company of over 20 student performers and technicians bring their considerable talents to the production, helping to create a magical and exhilarating evening of Greek theater.

The Oresteia is the story of murder and revenge within the House of Atreus, a tale filled with struggle and regeneration, rage and ritual. The play raises universal issues such as justice and vengeance.

These issues are as contemporary now as they were in ancient Athens, and provide the themes of *Agamemnon, the Choephori* and *the Eumenidies*, the grim trilogies that make up the *Oresteian Trilogy*.

This contemporary adaptation condenses, distills, and heightens the themes and core emotions found in the original, bringing the story to life through movement, music, and emotionally charged acting.

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MOVIES IN REVIEW
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Copycat

I'll never think of Harry Connick, Jr. in the same way again. Connick stars with Sigourney Weaver and Holly Hunter in this psychological thriller about a serial killer who is duplicating the crimes of famous murderers (hence the title).

Weaver is a psychologist whose expertise is serial killers, and her knowledge of the criminal mind makes her the "poster girl" for all would-be-famous killers. She gives speeches on serial killers, describing them as mostly quiet, unobtrusive white males between 20 and 30. She cites examples of killers like Bundy, Dahmer, and Berkowitz.

One fame hungry psycho in the crowd has been following the good doctor's lectures, and decides that his ticket to the history books is to copy the murders of the serial killers in Weaver's speeches. Since the copycat killer knows that Weaver is an expert on the murders, he can be sure that she will be able to figure out what he has done can be led on to the next crime.

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Holly Hunter plays a pyscho-chasing cop in the thriller *Copycat*. Following tips from serial killer expert Sigourney Weaver, Hunter and partner Dermot Mulroney hunt a serial killer who copies the famous murderers of the past.

Complicating this situation is Weaver's personal experience with one serial killer (Connick) who tried to hang her in a public bathroom after one of her speeches. This ordeal has left her a paranoid, agoraphobic, pill-popping alcoholic. When police inspectors Hunter and Dermot Mulroney come to Weaver for help in solving the murder cases, they are repeatedly told that she will not be a part of it, although she calls the police station 14 times a day to give them clues.

Hunter reprises a character somewhat like Jodie Foster's Clarisse in *Silence of the Lambs*. Weaver gives an excellent performance reminiscent of her role in last year's *Death and the Maiden*.

The movie is action packed and quite suspenseful. If anything, it will make you realize that the most dangerous killers are not the scum off of the streets. They are quick, intelligent, maniacal, unrelenting, and, of course, upstanding citizens. Remember: it's always the quiet ones.

Get Shorty

John Travolta leads an all-star cast in this hilarious comedy about breaking into show business. He plays loan shark, Chili Palmer, sent by "Bones" Barboni from Miami to L.A. to collect a tidy sum of money from one of Bone's clients, Joe, who faked his own death in a plane crash and is living off the insurance money.

It's clear that Chili is the one in control at all times. He breaks Bones' nose, takes the money from Joe and decides to invest it in a movie script he wrote called "Mr. Lovejoy," which is the story of Joe's insurance scam. He needs someone to produce this movie for him, so a friend in Miami tells him to go see Harry Zimm (Gene Hackman), a cheesy horror movie producer in L.A. Zimm sees "Mr. Lovejoy" as his ticket to respectability, especially when A-list actor Martin Weir (Danny DeVito) expresses interest in the script.

Weir's ex-love, Zimm's sometimes squeeze, and Chili's current obsession, horror flick queen Karen Flores (Rene Russo) expresses interest in producing the movie with Chili. Also interested in the script are Harry's drug-dealing investors.

Everyone wants a piece of this movie, and they're all willing to fight to the death for it. The investors also owe money to a big-time drug lord, but they can't get to his money, which is in a safe deposit box in the airport. The police surround the box twenty-four hours a day. It takes a slick mover like Chili to scam the cops and everyone else in the movie.

Chili just oozes super-coolness. The phrase "Look at me" will be immortalized from now on thanks to him. DeVito is perfect as the narcissistic method actor, and Hackman is charmingly pathetic as a wanna-be Chili, but Russo is just too classy to be a B movie star. This one may be able to tide me over until Four Rooms comes out in November.

This weekend the Foreign and Fine Film Society will be presenting "Babette's Feast", a charming fable from Scandinavia. A community of aging Puritans take to squabbling among themselves, threatening to tear apart their life-long friendships. The only hope in bringing them back together lies with Babette, the French chef of the community leaders, who creates for them an incredible feast, complete with finer French cuisine, odd dinner conversation, and the "hallelujah guy". Don't miss out on the fun -- or the food.

7:30 pm Friday & Saturday.
Admission still just $1

The Jazzabels will perform with Lucy Kaplansky in an Acoustic Coffeehouse on Wednesday, November 8 in the Events Barn.

HOROSCOPES

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3-7

SCORPIO
(OCTOBER 24-NOVEMBER 22)
This week may be a drastic change from the last. Don't loose sight of your work. Fun and games are great until you wake up after the trip and realize that you still have that paper to write.

SAGITTARIUS
(NOVEMBER 23-DECEMBER 21)
Okay so you did something horrible... forgiveness will come in time, don't fret. It may have been a family member or a friend or even a professor. Just let things calm down for a while. Take a walk in the Glen, think things through for yourself , by yourself.

CAPRICORN
(DECEMBER 22-JANUARY 20)
Go and treat yourself..you've been working hard lately and deserve a break. Tell that irritating person who won't stop talking silly stuff in class to just shut -up. It'll help with the built up stress in your system and they'll read this and understand.

AQUARIUS
(JANUARY 21-FEBRUARY 19)
You were told last week to wake up and face reality but you certainly haven't done anything of the sort. We are keeping tabs on you, you know. Buckle down! Dreams may sometimes come true but only if you make them happen in reality!

PISCES
(FEBRUARY 20-MARCH 20)
That special someone is really creeping into your mind isn't he/she? Talk to them, usually people don't bite. Talking at the coffeehouse or afterclass won't be too overzealous. It's up to you to get to know them if you're interested.

ARIES
(MARCH 21-APRIL 20)
Social butterfly..remember that real friends don't always want to party. Try talking to them seriously for once. Your big social scene has alienated some of them..careful that you don't find yourself suddenly standing alone. Hug that special someone real tight and don't let them go.

TAURUS
(APRIL 21-MAY 21)
Enough of the bad mood from last week. Laugh, yell, scream, cry, DO SOMETHING other than brood. Go out this weekend and just have some fun, whatever the problem is; leave it behind for a while. It might give you a new perspective to deal with the next morning which may solve the problem.

GEMINI
(MAY 22-JUNE 21)
The happy good mood is still going. You're probably standing there wondering when that horrible something will suddenly pop out of nowhere to ruin everything. Don't worry, you deserve this happy plateau of existence..just relax and enjoy it. Nothing bad will ruin it this week.

CANCER
(JUNE 22-JULY 22)
You need a break. Thanksgiving is too far away. If you can get home then why not just take that work with you and let Mom make you some hot coffee and curl up. If not go to the mall with some friends and play some video games, watch a movie, or window shop. You can get that hot coffee there too!

LEO
(JULY 23-AUGUST 23)
Give a little to others and even if it's just a smile. You've been so involved in your activities and problems that everyone else's seemed stupid and overexaggerated, they weren't, you just didn't want to listen..take some time out of others this week, the smiles you'll get in return will help you through.

VIRGO
(AUGUST 24-SEPTEMBER 23)
Now your depressed...your friends don't seem to be helping and you can't figure out what's wrong. It'll pass soon and you're mood will be all the better. You're friends understand since they all went through this last week. Try and nap one day, just don't get up.

LIBRA
(SEPTEMBER 24-OCTOBER 23)
Watch out with the work that you need to get done! That temptation from last week is still there and you still can't keep away from it. Keep a level head and you'll be fine. Remember we told you to be nice to your parents and you still haven't been...call them NOW.

3 Friday

noon **German Table.** Azel Backus House.
5 pm **Volleyball.** NESCAC at Connecticut College.
5:30 **Hillel Shabbat Dinner.** Colgate University.
7:30 **Film: *Dolores Claiborne.*** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J. $

4 Saturday

9 am **Volleyball.** NESCAC at Connecticut College.
10:00 **GRE-Kaplan.** Benedict 6.
11:00 **Men's Cross Country.** NYSCT&FA at St. Lawrence.
12:30 pm **Women & Girls in Science.** Lunch.
1:00 **Football.** Hamilton at Middlebury.
1:00 **Women's Cross Country.** Hamilton at Rochester.
8:00 **Thomas Lloyd, tenor. Sar-Shalom Strong, pianist.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.
10:00 **Film: *Dolores Claiborne.*** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. $

5 Sunday

11:30 am **AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) Open Meeting.** Fisher Room, Bristol Campus Center.
1 pm **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
7:30 **Film: *Dolores Claiborne.*** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. $

6 Monday

10 - 11 am **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.
4 pm **Alum Lecture.** Donna Dever '91. Events Barn.
4:10 **Biology Seminar.** "Cellular Interactions that Promote the Development of Male Gametes." Dr. William Wright '71, Johns Hopkins University. Room 318, Science.
6 **Japanese Table.** Room 242, Kirner-Johnson Building.
7-8:30 **Introduction To WriteNow.** (24-hour advance sign-up required.) Sponsored by ITS. Room 005, Burke Library.
7:30 pm **Lecture.** "Jobsmarts for Twentysomethings." Bradley Richardson. Chapel.
8:00 **Lecture.** James D. Werner, Director of Strategic Planning and Analysis for Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy. "Fifty years after the Manhattan Project: The environmental legacy of nuclear weapons." Sponsored by College 120. K-J Auditorium.
9 pm **GLBSA Meeting.** Keehn Second Floor Lounge.

7 Tuesday

9:30-11 am **Intermediate Eudora-Beyond The Basics.** (24-hour advance sign-up required.) Sponsored by ITS. Room 005, Burke Library.
10:30 am-4:30 pm **Red Cross Bloodmobile.** Sponsored by Phi Beta Chi. Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.
noon **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
noon **Spanish Table (La Mesa Española).** Commons Balcony.
1:30-3 pm **Using WriteNow's Table Features.** (24-hour advance sign-up required.) Sponsored by ITS. Room 005, BurkeLibrary.
4:30 **Reception.** "Toward the Bright Future of Communism." Emerson Gallery.
5:30 **Chinese Table.** Room 107, Kirner-Johnson Building.
7 **SHARP Meeting.** Browsing Room, Christian A. Johnson .
7-8:30 **Introduction To WordPerfect.** (24-hour advance sign-up required.) Sponsored by ITS. Room 220, K-J Building.
7:30 **Wellness Seminar.** "The Choice is Yours: Making Decisions." Mark Thompson, Ph.D., Counseling Center. Red Pit, K-J.

8 Wednesday

1 pm **TIAA meeting.** Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center.
1:30 **Elderhostel.** Events Barn.
5 **Backus Club Dinner.** Azel Backus House.
7 **Campus Activities Board Meeting.** Bristol Campus Center Basement.
7 **ACS (Asian Cultural Society) Meeting.** Khirt Cheng 1344. Afro-Latin Cultural Center.
8 **Acoustic Coffeehouse.** Lucy Kaplansky with The Jazzabels. Fillius Events Barn.

9 Thursday

9:30-11 am **Mailmerge ("Form Letters.") Using FileMaker And WriteNow.** (24-hour advance sign-up required.) Sponsored by ITS. Room 005, Burke Library.
noon **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
noon **Brown Bag Session.** Alcohol Awareness Week. Events Barn.
1:30-3 **Introduction To Productivity Tools.** (24-hour advance sign-up required.) Sponsored by ITS. Room 005, Burke Library.
4:15 **Lecture.** "Crime and Punishment in Bribe City: Politics and Corruption in Contemporary Italy." John Alcorn, Trinity College. Red Pit, K-J.
7 **HEAG (Hamilton Environmental Action Group) Meeting.** Blue Pit, K-J.
8 **Fall Theatre Production.** *Oresteia.* Minor Theater.$
8 **Film: *Less Than Zero.*** Red Pit.

10 Friday

8:00 am-4:00 pm **Hamilton College Conference on Teaching.** Fillius Events Barn.
TBA **Volleyball.** ECAC or NCAA.
noon **German Table.** Azel Backus House.
4:30 pm **Roehrick Lecture.** "Andy Warhol: Prodigal Son." Ultra Violet. Chemistry Auditorium.
5:00 **NASSA Thanksgiving Weekend.** Fillius Events Barn, Beinecke Village.
7:30 **Film: *Vanya on 42nd Street.*** Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. $
8 **Fall Theatre Production.** *Oresteia.* Minor Theater. $

MOVIES

The following area movie schedules are for the week of October 20- 26.

Sangertown • 797-2121

(not all matinees are listed)

Home For The Holidays 7:10, 9:35
Fair Game 7:05, 9:30
Gold Diggers 6:50, 9:20
Copycat 6:40, 9:25
Now and Then 7:30, 10:00
Powder 7:20, 9:50
Vampire in Brooklyn 6:30, 9:15
Get Shorty 7:25, 9:55
Seven 6:45, 9:40

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Call for information

Up Town • 797-0020

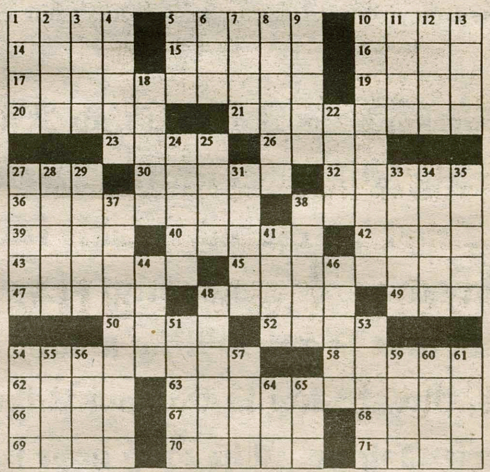
Call for information

On Campus in KJ

Dolores Claiborne
Friday & Sunday @7:30
Saturday @10:00

Weekly Crossword

" Wooden You Know ! " By Gerry Frey



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1 Actor Lowe
5 *"American Gothic" artist ____ Wood*
10 *Actress Joanne Wood _ _ _ _*
14 Chaplin's wife
15 Salk's conquest
16 Bread spread
17 *"Annie Hall" director*
19 Presage
20 Suit
21 Malicious rumors
23 Football distance
26 WWII Greek resistance force
27 Concorde
30 Stinks
32 Belonging to thee
36 *Daniel Boone, e.g.*
38 Less rich
39 ______ Domini
40 Dote over
42 Volcanic ash
43 Pooh's buddy
45 Meets
47 Burn badly
48 Cheap or ice trailer
49 Anger
50 Expression of disgust
52 Comedian Carvey
54 Young Girl Scouts
58 Extricate
62 Cut or type preceder
63 *Boston Symphony summer home*
66 Eight combining form
67 All
68 Claudia _____ Johnson
69 *Craft or chuck preceder*
70 Plow inventor
71 500 sheets

DOWN
1 Bovines
2 Cager's target
3 Celebes ox
4 Pappa
5 Student's concern
6 _ _ _ and:Charlemagne knight
7 "____ Well That Ends Well"
8 Your brother's daughters
9 Having tone
10 *Mass. oceanographic site*
11 Mater preceder
12 Fisherman's need
13 Knotts and Adams
18 Golden _____
22 Treaty org.
24 Fix the picture again
25 Lifeless
27 Exchanges
28 Barrier or boom preceder
29 Polynesian kingdom
31 _____ *on wood*
33 Teheran inhabitant
34 No way
35 Obliterate
37 *Parton's theme park*
38 Five combining form
41 Highway
44 Paradise
46 Jurisdiction
48 Grooved wheel
51 Quoted
53 Mr. Sadat
54 Squander away
55 Puerto ______
56 I'm __ ___ you
57 Dagger
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65 Soap ingredient

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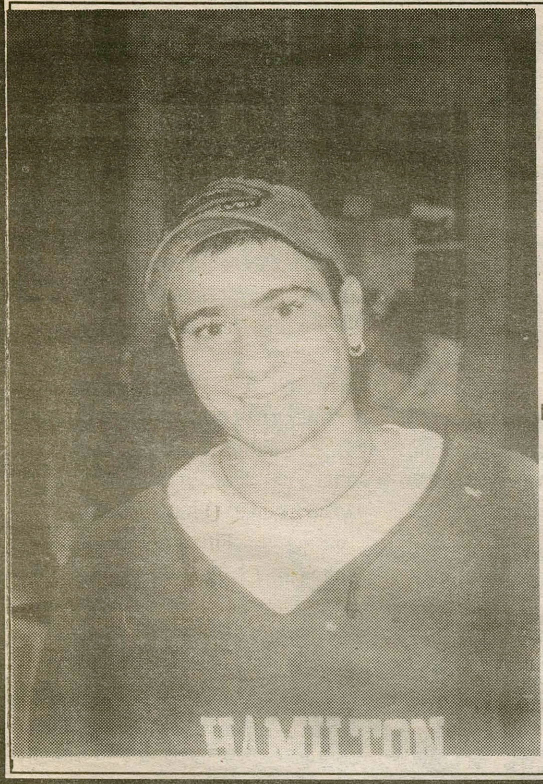

The Hamilton Athlete of the Week

—COMPILED BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

Tom Capo

STATISTICS:

-- All-NESCAC selection
-- Hamilton's top runner

Tom Capo '97 continues to lead the pace for the men's cross country team who finished in 6th place at the NESCAC Championships. Capo was the top Hamilton runner, finishing in 28:02 in the 5 mile course. His 14th place finish clinched his selection to the All-NESCAC team, bestowed to the race's top 15 runners. Congratulations, Tom! You are the *Hamilton Athlete of the Week!*

PEAK PERFORMER

Michelle Pickett

Michelle Pickett '96 led a strong defensive showing averaging 6.6 digs to defeat Union. Last Saturday, Pickett continued her fine play with 3.1 kills and 3.9 digs per game in a four-team invitational. Pickett now currently holds the rcord for most career digs at Hamilton with 950 at Hamilton. Congratulations, Michelle! You are a peak performer!

Women's cross country looks to rebound

from Women on page 24

finished in 22.07 and Jen Wilcox finished in a time of 22.18.

The strong wind, rain, and slick terrain were the big factors that explain the poor individual performances. To gain one's footing was extremely difficult and caused a few runners to slip and fall. "I was glad we walked away without any major injuries,"Coach Hull stated with much relief. "Some of the other teams were not so lucky."

To explain the disappointing team performance, the organizers of the race are partially to blame. Apparently, half of the teams competing, including Hamilton, were uninformed of the fifteen minute starting delay which affected the team's warm-up timing. But Coach Hull does not wish to make excuses. "The NESCAC is extremely competitive," she explains. "Even with that bad performance we would have finished fourth at States."

Although the Continentals gave up a possible fourth place finish at the NYSCT&FA Championships to compete in the NESCACs, the team still ranks fourth in New York State and have their eyes focused further down the road. On Saturday, the Continentals will travel two hours to compete in the University of Rochester Invitational.

Last year, the Continentals won the Invitational, but this year Coach Hull has a different plan. Koch, Bufalini, and Katherine Wasilenko '99, three of the Continentals' top five runners, will be sitting out the race in order to rest for the upcoming NCAA regional qualifying meet in one week. "We're looking more for individual performnce at Rochester and not so much on team performance," Coach Hull explained. "We need to get ready for the NCAA regionals."

Winter sport teams began practicing last Wednesday. PHOTO BY KATE VAIL '96

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and the giant country horns
Saturday Nov. 4 @ Commons
Doors open 12 midnight
Tickets available in Beinecke Village on Saturday between 2 pm and 3 pm. This event is limited to 200 people, so get there early. Bring your Hamilton ID, please.

Football faces Middlebury

*from **Football** on page 24*

last year's 27-21 defeat at the hands of the Continentals. The Panthers have struggled running the ball this year and this Saturday should show a needed improvement from the defensive line. Middlebury is also giving up over 26 points per game, so it will be open season for Deblois, Milleisen, Hodges, as well as receivers Ben Johnson '97, Sean Fisher '97, and Shawn Lyons '99, to pad their stats. Look for the Continentals to gain their first of two consecutive wins to finish the season at 5-3.

Pizzo's Prediction:
Hamilton 28
Middlebury 12

Do you have any artistic talent?
WHCL wants you to design our t-shirt.
On an 8 1/2 by 11 sheet of paper, submit your version of the perfect WHCL t-shirt design. If we choose your version, you'll get 2 free t-shirts and a gift certificate from The Last Unicorn. Please send all entries in campus mail by November 13th to Trip MacCracken.
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This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Football		Middlebury 1:00 pm					
Volleyball	NESCAC at Connecticut 5:00 pm	9:00 am					
Men's X-Country		NYSCT&FA 11:00 am					
Women's X-Country		Rochester Invit. 1:00 pm					

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

Beat the "Experts" Leader Board

1. Jeff Turcotte '99 11-3
1. Keith Wandtke '98 11-3
3. Dave Clausen '98 7-6
4. Mike Hanley '98 6-6
4. Jack Selby '96 6-6

Beat the "Experts"

Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *Hamilton's Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester and will be entitled to all the perks therein, namely an all-expense paid dinner with our one and only celebrity Sports Editor, Samuel M. Walker, as well as their picture in *The Spectator.*

Specially Selected Sporting Events	Sam Walker *Spectator Sports Editor* Last Week: 6-7 To date: 58-44	Brian Cohen *Spectator Sports Editor* Last Week: 6-7 To date: 62-40	Trip MacCracken *Spectator Sports Editor* Last Week: 9-4 To date: 61-41	Mark Granovsky *Associate Sports Editor* Last Week: 7-5 To date: 62-40	Beverly Low Dir. of Stud. Act. Guest #1 Last Week's Guest: Jack Selby 6-6
NFL					
New England at N.Y.Jets 11/5	New York	New England	New England	New England	New England
Detroit at Atlanta 11/5	Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	Detroit	Detroit
St.Louis at New Orleans 11/5	New Orleans	New Orleans	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis
Green Bay at Minnesota 11/5	Minnesota	Minnesota	Green Bay	Green Bay	Minnesota
Buffalo at Indianapolis 11/5	Indianapolis	Indianapolis	Indianapolis	Buffalo	Buffalo
Pittsburgh at Chicago 11/5	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Pittsburgh
N.Y. Giants at Seattle 11/5	Seattle	New York	Seattle	New York	Seattle
Miami at San Diego 11/5	San Diego	Miami	San Diego	Miami	Miami
NCAA					
Wisconsin at Purdue 11/4	Wisconsin	Purdue	Purdue	Wisconsin	Wisconsin
Penn St. at Nothwestern 11/4	Northwestern	Northwestern	Northwestern	Northwestern	Northwestern
Illinois at Iowa 11/4	Iowa	Iowa	Iowa	Illinois	Illinois
Oklahoma at Kansas St. 11/4	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.
Oregon at Washington 11/4	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Oregon

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator*. Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

Torre to manage Yanks

Fans angry; they like Showalter

In the NBA: Predictions for the NBA: In the East- Atlantic Division- 1. Orlando- Penny & Shaq hungry after Finals debacle 2. Miami- Riley brings out Heat talent 3. Washington- Young talent gels, but only if Webber is healthy 4. New York- Aging squad begins to show age: 4 starters over 30 5. Boston- Addition of Barros will help 6. Philly- Stackhouse and not much else 7. New Jersey- Needed an offseason overhaul, but didn't get one. Central Division- 1. Chicago- Simply too much talent w/ Jordan, Pippen, Rodman, not to win division 2. Detroit- New coach Doug Collins has instilled chemistry around Hill 3. Milwaukee- Robinson, Respert, Baker- make a great trio 4. Charlotte- A healthy Larry Johnson will help, but not enough 5. Indiana- Time's up on this surprising squad 6. Atlanta- Lenny Wilkens needs more players like Blaylock 7. Cleveland- Should have gotten more for Price 8. Toronto- Carlos Rogers will be a star. In the West- Midwest Division- 1. Utah- Once again, good regular season- fold in playoffs 2. Houston- Olajuwon could win by himself 3. San Antonio- Robinson could too 4. Dallas- Best young threesome in the game w/ Kidd, JJ, Mashburn 5. Denver- McDyess needs to contribute immediately 6. Minnesota- This team finally did something right, drafting Garnett- 2 years till stardom, though 7. Vancouver- Reeves will learn a lot. Pacific Division- 1. Seattle- Like the Jazz, they win till it counts 2. Phoenix- Suns squeeze one more year from Sir Charles 3. L.A. Lakers- Very underrated squad led by Van Exel will surprise 4. Golden State- Joe Smith, Sprewell, Hardaway, Seikaly, Mullin- great lineup, but something always goes awry 5. Sacramento- King comeback led by Williamson 6. Portland- New look w/o Drexler, Porter or Kersey 7. L.A. Clippers- Could be worse than expansion squads...

Scorecard

Trip MacCracken

In the NFL: Deion's Dallas debut against the Falcons was not overwhelming, by any means, but he did show sparks, and was close to catching a Troy Aikman touchdown throw. On Monday night, the Cowboys play the Eagles. Look for some Sanders fireworks... Houston will not be the home of the Oilers for much longer. The team is headed for Nashville, perhaps as early as next year... Stat of the Week: In the three weeks that Redskin running back Terry Allen has gained 100 yards, the team is 3-0. In the six weeks he hasn't, they're 0-6... San Fran brought in former Buc and Packer Reggie Cobb to try out for the fullback spot vacated with the injury to William Floyd... Falcon QB Browning Nagle will sing the national anthem before Sunday's game against Detroit... The AFC Central is up for grabs, with Pittsburgh and Cleveland in first place at 4-4. Cincinnati, Jacksonville, and Houston have three wins apiece...In order to stress the importance of holding on to the football, Chief coach Marty Schottenheimer slaps the ball away from unsuspecting players in pregame warmups. Moreover, players are fined for failure to hand the ball directly to the referee after being tackled in practice. The Chiefs are 7-1, so it seems to be working..

In the NCAA: Tommie Frazier of Nebraska has thrown for over 1,000 yards in each of the last three seasons. This year, Frazier has 13 TD passes and 10 rushing scores, yet for some reason he's not considered a serious Heisman contender.... Northwestern's Darnell Autry has nine straight 100-yard rushing games...

In the NHL: Goaltender Curtis Joseph is playing for Las Vegas of the IHL. After being traded to Edmonton from St. Louis, Joseph was unable to reach a contract agreement... Winnipeg is standing atop the Central Division at 6-4-2 despite playing without center Alexei Zhamnov, who was out with a fracture in his right leg...

Who's Hot: Bear wide receiver Curtis Conway, who has touchdown catches in five consecutive games... San Diego wide receiver Tony Martin, who has quietly amassed 45 catches, second in the AFC... Washington goalie Jim Carey, whose 7-1 record leads the Caps' resurgence. The team is hot, as well, checking in at 8-3... Green Bay running back Edgar Bennett, who is on pace to become the Pack's first 1,000 yard runner since Terdell Middleton in 1978...

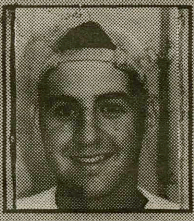
Who's Not: Leon Lett and Clayton Holmes of the Cowboys who both face possible suspensions and/or fines for apparently violating the NFL's drug and alcohol policy... Jacksonville's defense, which has a league low eight sacks... San Jose, which has yet to win a game at 0-7-3... Boxer Peter McNeeley, who quite deservedly gets ripped in *Sports Illustrated* after his manager suggests that he has possible bouts lined up against dinosaurs Larry Holmes and Carl (The Truth) Williams. Funny thing is though, *SI* wasn't ripping McNeeley because his potential opponents are so old. Rather, it's because they say he's shown no evidence that he's good enough to win...

Quotables & Miscellaneous: The Yankees have signed manager Joe Torre after losing Buck Showalter. George Steinbrenner managed to alienate Showalter, and it will cost the team. Simply, Showalter is a winner... The new Rocket uniforms are simply atrocious. They rival the Cavalier outfits for worst in the NBA... And finally, New Jersey Net forward Jayson Williams cited an apparent discrepancy between the ideology and practice put into place by the Bulls: "The Bulls had me in for a four-hour psychological test, and the next day they went out and signed Dennis Rodman."

My Two Cents
Odds and ends

By Samuel M. Walker '96
SPORTS EDITOR

Our fall athletic teams did not fare so well. To put it bluntly, we were mediocre in almost every sport. Volleyball and cross-country may have had impressive seasons, but neither sport will garner an NCAA bid. Williams placed in the top 20 nationally in 16 sports last year, so I thought a prediction of two for us this fall was realistic. Guess not, but don't lose hope, a lot of our fall teams are young. Women's soccer and football will be tough to mess with next fall.



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Preparing ourselves for a winter in beautiful Clinton, New York is not always fun. Yet, look on the bright side: Basketball and hockey are hitting the Hill. This could be the year for both men's hoops and hockey, and I'm not blowing smoke. Men's basketball will make the NCAA tournament, and has a realistic chance of going far in the tourney. Joe Mrozienski '96 will receive All-American honors. As for our hockey team, if they can find three solid defensive lines, with the offensive firepower and the veteran goaltending they possess, Coach Phil Grady has a team that will make the fans rock in the Sage. And let's not forget swimming. This is the sport that produces top notch results year in and year out. This year will be no different for Coach Dave Thompson's swimmers. Fairweather Continental fans start hopping on the wagon.

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When Hamilton football traveled to Williams last Saturday, they played on the local high school field instead of the usual Weston Field at Williams College. Williams' reasoning was their field was a mud bath and they deemed it unplayable. The truth is the Ephs who have won 20 games in a row are playing host to Amherst on November 11, a game that will be televised on ESPN 2 at 10:00 a.m., thus they want their illustrious field to look perfect on camera. That's great and all, but because of the field change, hundreds of Hamilton fans were unable to listen to the game back on the Hill. WHCL could not broadcast the game because the high school field wasn't equipped with phone lines. We should play Williams next year on the North Court and see their reaction. Come on Williams, we are not chopped liver, show us a little respect.

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How about my Jets? This year, for the first time ever, I'll admit they suck. Bubby at quarterback; a receiving corps led by free-agent rookie Wayne Chrebet; a starting cornerback in Vance Joseph who was a backup quarterback in college. Consider this: 16 of the Jets 22 starters had never started in the NFL prior to this year. However, I remain optimistic. By getting real bad, similar to the Cowboys of 1989, they can only improve. This needs be a slow process, not a quick fix. For starters, the Jets need to acquire a quarterback. Peyton Manning or Danny Kanell would sure look good in green and white. But for the time being, give Glenn Foley a chance to show what he can do at quarterback. All you have to do is look at the success ex-backup quarterback Jeff Blake is having to understand why. Even at 2-7, I still won't miss a game. My dad is considering getting rid of our season tickets. If he's held on to them for twenty years, why give them away now? Bet I'll have to start paying for them myself.

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I was off the mark on my preseason predictions. The Jets can't go 10-6, the Yankees made the playoffs before the Mets, and I don't think New England and San Francisco will face each other in the Super Bowl. But Atlanta did face Cleveland in the World Series, with Atlanta taking it all. 1 out of 4 isn't that bad for me!!

***New Predictions*: NBA Champions:** Chicago Bulls; **NBA MVP:** Grant Hill; **Stanley Cup Winner:** New York Rangers; **NCAA Champions:** Nebraska Cornhuskers; **Heisman Trophy:** Tommy Frazier; **PGA Player of the Year:** Billy Mayfair.

Intramural wrapup
Old Clintonians and Dawgs win championships

By Damon Lopez-O'Dwyer '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

There is a breed of athlete whose will to play the game far exceeds his desire for personal glory and public recognition. His heart is millions of times the size of his ego, and sheer love for sport propels him to excellence in whatever game he plays. This consummate champion is known only by the world of Intramural Sports.

These past months have seen guts and determination of countless Hamiltonians displayed on the playing fields of campus. Men and women alike have braved torrential rains and gusting winds all with a common quest—an IM championship t-shirt. Competitors have battled unrelentingly in squash, lacrosse, women's basketball, soccer, and football. The best of the best have emerged victorious and proud. For example, IM football champions, the Dawgs, had two MVPs this fall: Jose Vasquez '97 and HEOP administrator Tom Royal.

The eight team soccer league was narrowed to six for post-season play after a grueling season. The path to number one saw an epic semi-final contest between AD and DKE. AD prevailed 2-1 in overtime. The other semi was another single goal decision with the Old Clintonians (a squad of Clinton locals) ousting Sig 1-0. Despite a truly valiant effort by AD in the finals, the Old Clintonians proved to be too strong in their 2-1 victory to claim the title.

There was no lack of drama in the football league. Two teams, the Turks and the Dawgs, made it through the season with 8-0-1 records until the final game. They tied the one game that they played during the regular season. The Dawgs took the early lead on a touchdown and extra point by co-captain Vasquez and Ralph Allen '97, respectively, by a touchdown pass from Royal. The Dawgs managed to keep the Turks off the scoreboard until the final minute of the game. The Turks failed on their two-point conversion when co-captain Andrew Camacho '97 sacked the Turk quarterback. Victory was sealed on a Dawgs ball recovery from a Turk receiver in the final minute of the game. This was the fourth consecutive year these two teams met in the championship game and this year found the Dawgs winners by a score of 8-6.

And so ends a fall of ferocious competition, near misses, and jubilant triumph. There is no rest, however, for the superstars of IM League athletics. The winter sports begin before many of the bumps and bruises have healed, but that is all part of the sacrifice. Don't miss the opportunity to witness perhaps the greatest display of guts on Hamilton's campus during the next season. It isn't because they need the support, but rather they deserve it.

Andrew Camacho '97 contributed to this article.

Volleyball struggles in NESCAC tuneups

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This past weekend saw the Hamilton volleyball team win one match and lose two close matches. At the Margaret Bundy Scott Field House, Hamilton squared off against three NESCAC opponents in a tune up for the NESCAC tournament this weekend at Connecticut. Hamilton made a strong showing which helped them earn a state ranking of 14th, while capturing the 4th seed at the NESCAC tournament.

Hamilton earned an easy victory over Middlebury (15-5, 15-2) behind the strong effort of Michelle Pickett '96, who made six service aces, three kills, and added eight digs. Kate Hintz '97 added 17 assists, Christina Clark '97 recorded seven kills while outside hitter Sheila Green '97 added five kills. In their second match of the day, Hamilton fell to the top seed in the NESCAC tournament, Williams (16-14, 16-14). Pickett again led the Continentals with ten kills, one service ace and seven digs. Clark and Maggie Lower '98 stood tall in the middle recording a combined 14 kills, two service aces, eleven digs and five blocked shots. Hintz had another strong game as the team's primary setter recording 27 assists. Hamilton's third match of the day saw them lose a heartbreaker to the number two team in the NESCAC tournament, Amherst, in three games (8-15, 15-1, 9-15). Clark paced the team with ten kills, three digs and two blocked shots. Green had another strong game with seven kills and 13 digs. Pickett helped out defensively adding 12 digs, while Hintz chipped in with 29 assists and two kills.

When the smoke cleared, Hamilton has secured a fourth place seed at the NESCAC tournament. They will square off against #1 Williams, #5 Tufts, #8 Middlebury and #9 Connecticut.

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Men's cross country places sixth at NESCACs

By Brian C. Cohen '96
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Last Saturday, the men's cross country team traveled to New London, CT, where they competed at the NESCAC Championships. The Continentals, led by Tom Capo '97, finished sixth out of 11 teams, improving upon last year's ninth place finish. Williams won the Championship as predicted with a score of 16. Tufts, Bowdoin, Wesleyan, and Amherst rounded out the top five slots. Hamilton's 172 score beat out a tough Middlebury squad as well as Colby, Bates, host Connecticut College, and Trinity. Coach Brett Hull commented, "I felt we had strong team performance. Nobody among the NESCAC schools expected us to finish this high."

One reason for the Continentals' success is Capo, who continues to blaze a path for the team. Capo had another outstanding race, finishing 14th overall at 28:02, and for his performance he was selected to the All-NESCAC team. "I was really pleased with how we did as a team," Capo stated after the race. "We definitely surprised many of the teams out there."

Jeremy Sokolnicki '98 had his collegiate career best, finishing 22nd in 28.34. Close behind, Dane Wolfrom '97 finished at 28.47. Justin Ledden '97 and Andrew Bomann '96 rounded out Hamilton's top five with times of 29.38 and 30.12, respectively.

The finish times for all competing runners were rather slow. Again, the Continentals had to brave treacherous conditions to finish the course. The meet was marked with high winds and rain. The Weather Channel even reported that at the time of the meet, the weather rated one grade below a tropical storm. As a result, the clay-based trail became extremely slick and turned the race into a mud bath. "I'm just pleased we were able to walk away without any major injuries," explained Hull who witnessed a few other schools succumb to the wrath of Mother Nature.

Hopefully, Mother Nature will favor the Continentals this Saturday at Canton, NY, site of the NYSCT&FA Championships. The Continentals finished eighth last year and look to at least equal that performance. The team to beat is University of Rochester who is ranked 10th in the nation. Host St. Lawrence is ranked 17th and will be well prepared to run their course of even-levelled grass and wooded trails. Otherwise, the Continentals' success this season indicates that they should remain even with schools such as RPI, Ithaca, and especially Union whom they beat earlier in the season. Although Hull has cut back practice slightly this week to rest the team's weary legs, he is approaching tomorrow's race like any other. "Our goal is to keep the momentum going in order to have another solid race. Where that places us we will see."

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Football unable to end Ephs winning streak

By Rick Pizzo '96
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The Continental football team fell to undefeated Williams this past weekend in a closer contest than the final 29-9 score indicated. Hamilton found themselves tied with the Ephmen at the half, the first time all season that Williams had not led after the opening two quarters.

Playing at Mt. Greylock Regional High School due to poor conditions at Williams Weston Field, the "home team" got on the board first. Safety Graham McPhail intercepted a Dan Deblois '97 pass and the Ephs converted the turnover into three points on a 30 yard field goal by Sam Landis.

Hamilton responded with a march down the field after the ensuing kickoff. Deblois led a 13 play, 78 yard drive that culminated in a one yard touchdown run by Scott Milleisen '97. The extra point was missed and the Continentals led 6-3. Milleisen continued his spectacular season with 127 yards on 21 carries, upping his average per game to 103.3 yards for fifth in the NESCAC.

Williams attempted to regain the lead on the very next drive, but a fumble at the Hamilton two-yard line ruined their chances to go on top. Unfortunately, the Continental offense could not move the ball, and Williams regained possession. There would be no red zone fumbles for the Ephs this time as H-Back Mark Kossick ran for a one yard score with only 3:00 left in the second quarter. Ben Johnson blocked the kick and the score was knotted 9-9.

Williams came out fired up for the second half and the result was the 20 point spread. Ephmen quarterback Mark Bajakian hit Kossick with a 20 yard touchdown pass to cap a 62 yard drive, to put Williams on top 16-9 after a successful Landis kick.

Hamilton threatened to tie as cornerback Kyle Bennett intercepted a Bajakian pass at the Williams 32. Once again, the offense could not take advantage of the situation and Matt Roventini was forced to punt it back to Williams.

For the second time in the half, the Ephmen put together a long consuming drive, almost bringing the third quarter to a close. Kossick scored his third touchdown of the day on the 10th play of the 80 yard drive. The four yard run and missed extra point gave Williams a 22-9 lead.

The Continentals refused to quit, however, as Frank Lovero '98 intercepted Bajakian with 6:00 left in the game. The Williams defense, which played extremely well in the second half, held tough and Hamilton turned the ball over on downs. This allowed Williams to pad their lead with under a minute remaining, star running back Jamal Pollack scored on a 2 yard TD run to finish the scoring. Pollack galloped for 196 yards on the day to bring his season total to 1100 yards, a Williams single season record. He also set the career mark during the game.

Deblois finished with 15 completions on 34 attempts for 166 yards, but had a negative TD to INT ratio (0-1). Adam Hodges '97 totalled 98 all purpose yards on the day and Frank Lovero led the defense with 9 tackles, 4 assists, and an interception.

Hamilton will try to get back over the .500 mark this weekend as they travel to Middlebury College to face the Panthers. Middlebury is 2-4 on the year, and looking to avenge

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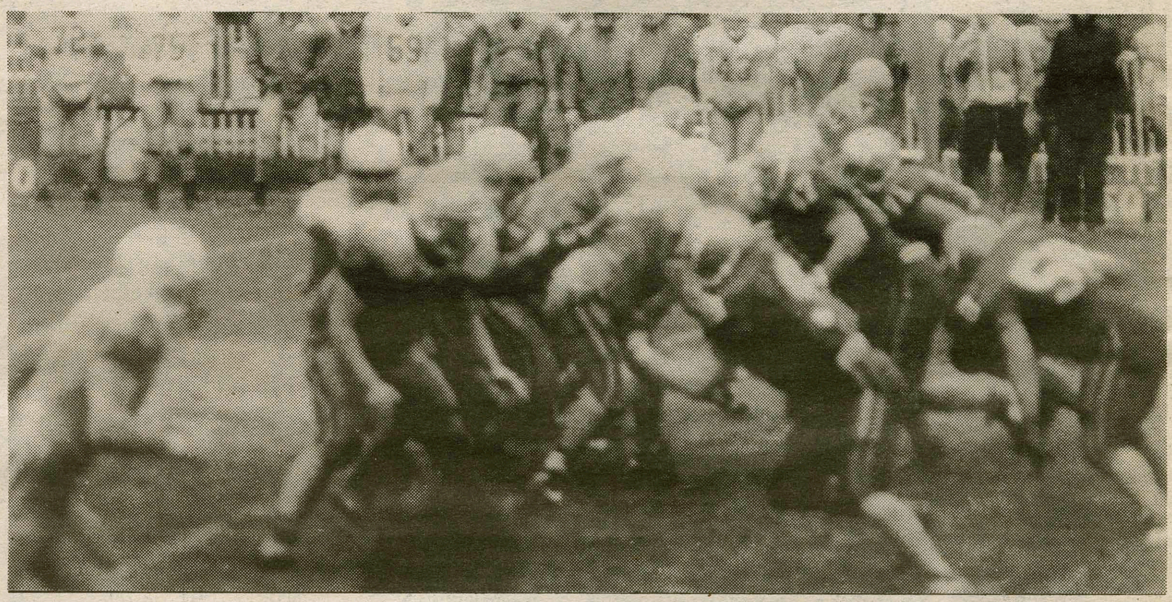

The football team, pictured playing Colby on Oct. 20, looks to get back on track against Middlebury.
PHOTO BY ERIN MITCHELL '96

Campbell scores game-winner at SUNY-Potsdam

By Mark Granovsky '98
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Men's soccer ended its season last Saturday with a well-earned 1-0 victory over SUNY- Potsdam to finish at 7-5-2. The victory came on a shot by forward Marc Campbell '96 on a pass by halfback Devin Sullivan '96. Hamilton finished the season with a flourish: 4-0-1 in five games and outscored the opposition 13-2. Despite valiant efforts all around, injuries kept the Continentals from repeating their 13-4 success of 1994.

It is difficult to sum up the 1995 season for it took on many shapes. Hamilton began the year in a similar fashion to 1994 with two defeats at the hands of Union and Williams. The 2-1 and 3-0 losses, respectively, were well-fought contests, but Hamilton could not overcome the depth and versatility of the Dutchmen and the Ephmen. The 1994 season saw Hamilton go on a ten-game winning streak after the 0-2 start.

The Continentals came alive during the home opener against the Nazareth Golden Flyers with a 1-0 victory. Forward Brendan Forrest '98 scored the game's single goal on an assist by Ke Sagnia with 15:57 remaining in the second half. The momentum stretched over the next ten days with victories over the Skidmore Thoroughbreds and Utica Pioneers, 2-1 and 9-0, respectively. The 9-0 victory was an offensive clinic as forward Baran Tekkora '96 scored three goals with an assist; forward Ke Sagnia '97 added a goal and two assists; and halfback Paul "Scooter" Mountcastle '99 scored the first goal of his Hamilton career.

If the Utica game was an exercise in shooting, then Elmira was an exercise in tactics. The Purple Sages entered the game as the #2 team in New York State with a 6-1 record. Other obstacles to contend with were a small field and raucous Elmira fans. The Continentals persisted throughout the game and battled to a 0-0 tie. The game was the best played of the season as few mistakes were allowed and every opportunity was taken. Hamilton now stood with a 3-2-1 record in six games and looked to add to their win total.

Three consecutive losses to Clarkson (2-1), St. Lawrence (1-0), and Rochester (3-2) turned the season upside-down and raised questions if Hamilton could finish above .500. The Continentals played competitive soccer in each game, but seemed to be the victims of strange circumstances. The game against the Rochester Yellow Jackets had one of the more controversial endings in memory. After Sullivan tied the game at 2-2 with a bullet shot past the goalie, Rochester forward Kirk Dietrich went offsides on an outside pass and shot the ball over the head of goalie Brian Barker '99. Despite arguments from the Hamilton bench the call stood and Rochester recorded the victory.

The Continentals received their second wind with victories over St. John Fisher (3-2) and SUNY-Utica (6-0). Hamilton defeated SUNY-Utica 12-2 in 1994 to up their record to 9-2. This year Hamilton dominated again scoring four goals before the half, with another hat trick by Tekkora. Fullback Mario Fallone '96 scored his first goal of the season on a penalty kick to clinch the victory 5-0. Hamilton never dropped below .500 again.

Baran Tekkora led all scorers on the season with eight goals, two assists, and 18 total points. Halfback Mike Calawa '96 finished second with four goals, an assist, and nine total points. Sagnia tied Calawa in total points with nine points (three goals, three assists). As a team Hamilton outscored opponents 29-14. Goalie Mike Heffernan '98 recorded 58 saves in eleven games with four shutouts in an injury shortened season. Head coach Manfred von Schiller finishes his 36th season with a career record of 215-151-50.

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Women's cross country has rough outing at NESCACs

By Brian C. Cohen '96
Sports Editor

The women's cross country team returned from a several year hiatus last Saturday to compete in the NESCAC Championships. In previous NESCAC Championships, the Continentals have not fared so well and unfortunately, this past weekend's performance was no exception. The women's cross country team, one of the stronger Hamilton fall season teams this year, could not catapult their season success to finish higher than 8th out of 11 teams. Bowdoin College, ranked 8th in the nation, won the Championship.

Every sport team experiences their ups and downs and Coach Ellen Hull realizes that her team is no exception. "That's part of cross country," she commented after the race. "They've been running hard every week and sometimes its hard to keep that up each week."

Cathy Michels '96 has run her hardest each week, but her respectable 19th place finish overall in 21.08 could not spur the team any further. Veronica Bufalini '98 finished next for the Continentals in 21.49. Three runners later, Tami Koch '96 finished at 21.55. Rounding out the top five for Hamilton, Kate Dalke '98

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Women's cross country prepares for the Rochester Invitational. PHOTO BY ERIN MITCHELL '96

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